

# San Antonio, Texas Economic Indicators and Demographics

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#### Summary of San Antonio Economy

Unemployment Rate (October 2006)	4.5%
Annualized % Change in Employment (November 2006)	3.9%
Estimated Growth in 2006 Gross Regional Product	3.86%
Annualized % Change in Coincident Index (October 2006)	5.19%
Growth in Sales & Use Tax Revenues (November 2005-November 2006)	20.26%
Growth in Sales & Use Tax Revenues (2005-2006 Payments to Date thru November)	22.28%
Growth in Sales & Use Tax Revenues (2004-2005)	2.96%
Projected Growth in Housing Prices (2006)	8.30%
Growth in Hotel Occupancy Tax Receipts (November 2005-November 2006)	38.2%
Growth in Hotel Occupancy Tax Receipts (2005-2006 Fiscal Year to Date thru November)	19.9%

## Summary of San Antonio Economy (cont.)

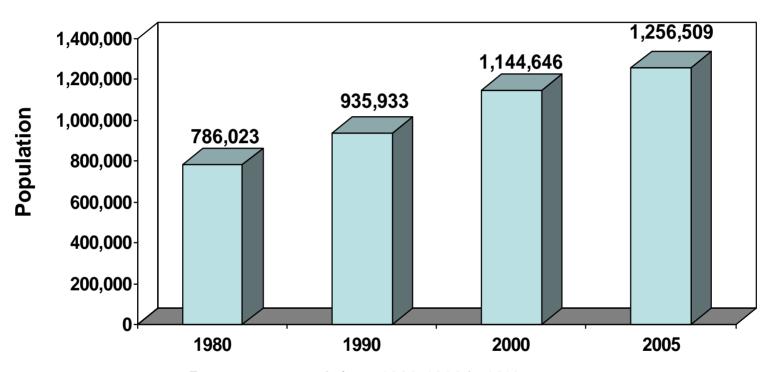
Hotel Occupancy Rates (Oct 2006)	63.9%
Change in Film Production Value Generated (2005-2006 Fiscal Year to Date thru October)	-17.4%
Change in Film Production Shoot Days (2005-2006 Fiscal Year to Date thru October)	-52%
Percent Change in the Index of Publicly Traded Finance and Insurance Companies in San Antonio (10/1/05-10/31/06)	16.6%
Percent Change in the Index of Publicly Traded Technology Companies in San Antonio (10/3/05-10/31/06)	12.62%
Percent Change in the Index of Publicly Traded Finance and Insurance Companies in San Antonio (October 2006)	.34%
Percent Change in the Index of Publicly Traded Technology Companies in San Antonio (September 2006)	1.42%

#### Summary of the U.S. Economy

Unemployment Rate (November 2006)	4.5%
Annualized Growth in Real GDP (3Q 2006)	1.6%
Percent Change in the Consumer Price Index (October 2005-October 2006)	1.3%
Annualized Percent Change in Employment (November 2006)	1.17%
Percent Change in Housing Starts (November 2006)	6.72%
Trade Deficit (October 2006)	\$58.87 billion

### Demographics

## Population Growth 1980-2005 for City of San Antonio



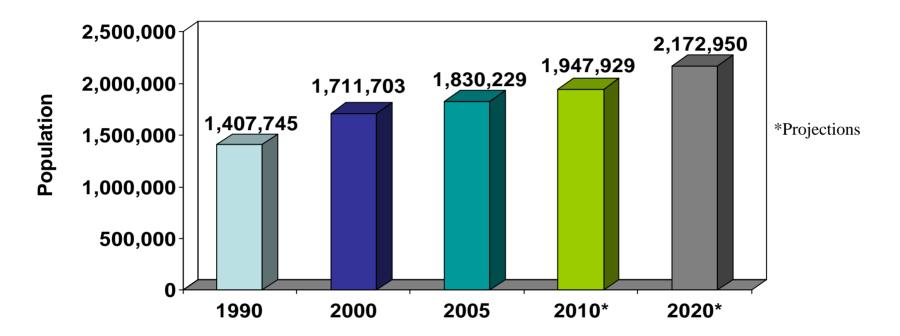
- -Percentage growth from 1980-1990 is 19%.
- -Percentage growth from 1990-2000 is 22.3%.
- -Estimated growth from 2000-2005 is 9.77%\*.

#### Population of the 10 Largest Cities

(As of July 1, 2005)

Rank	City	Population	Growth Since 2000 (%)
1	New York	8,143,197	1.68
2	Los Angeles	3,844,829	4.06
3	Chicago	2,842,518	-1.85
4	Houston	2,016,582	3.22
5	Philadelphia	1,463,281	-3.58
6	Phoenix	1,461,575	10.64
7	San Antonio	1,256,509	9.77
8	San Diego	1,255,540	2.63
9	Dallas	1,213,825	2.12
10	San Jose	912,332	1.94
16	Austin	690,252	5.13
19	Fort Worth	624,067	16.71
21	El Paso	598,590	6.20

#### San Antonio MSA Population Growth & Projections



- -MSA percentage growth from 1990 2000 was 21.6%.
- -MSA percentage growth from 2000 2005 is projected to be 7%.
- -Counties included in the MSA are: Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Wilson, Atascosa, Bandera, Kendall, and Medina.

Source: Texas State Data Center

### MSA Population Comparison 1990-2000

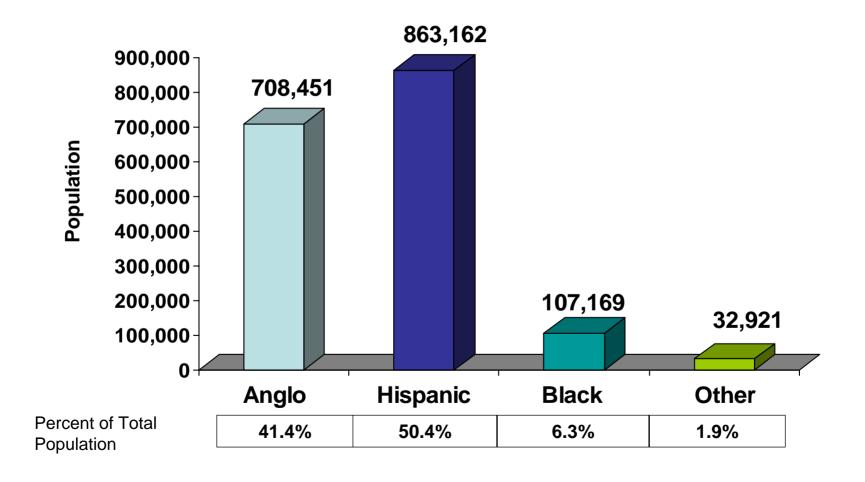
2000	Num. Change	% Change
<b>Population</b>	1990-2000	1990-2000
4,112,198	1,178,556	38.4%
3,251,876	1,013,396	45.3%
2,813,833	315,817	12.6%
1,711,703	303,958	21.6%
1,499,293	305,805	29.8%
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Texas	2000	Num. Change	% Change
Cities	<b>Population</b>	1990-2000	1990-2000
Dallas/Fort Worth	5,221,801	1,172,250	29.4%
Houston	4,669,571	948,072	25.2%
San Antonio	1,711,703	303,958	21.6%
Austin/San Marcos	1,249,763	403,536	47.7%
El Paso	679,622	88,012	14.9%

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#### San Antonio MSA-Breakdown By Race

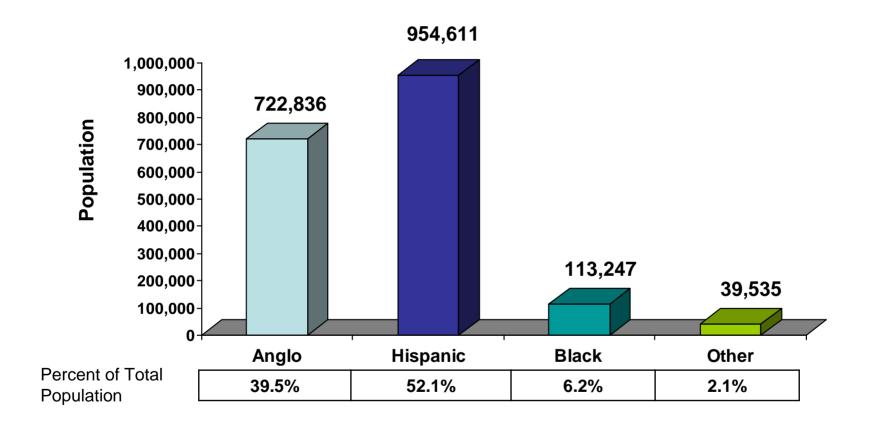
Census 2000-Total Population: 1,711,703



Source: Texas State Data Center

#### San Antonio MSA-Breakdown By Race

2005 Total Population Projections: 1,830,229



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#### Median Age

#### 2005 American Community Survey

Texas MSAs	
San Antonio	33.8
Dallas/Fort Worth	32.9
Houston	32.9
Austin	32.5
El Paso	30.9

34.9
34.4
34.1
33.8
33.5

Source: U.S. Census

# Population Age 25 Years and Over With a Bachelor's Degree or Higher, 2004

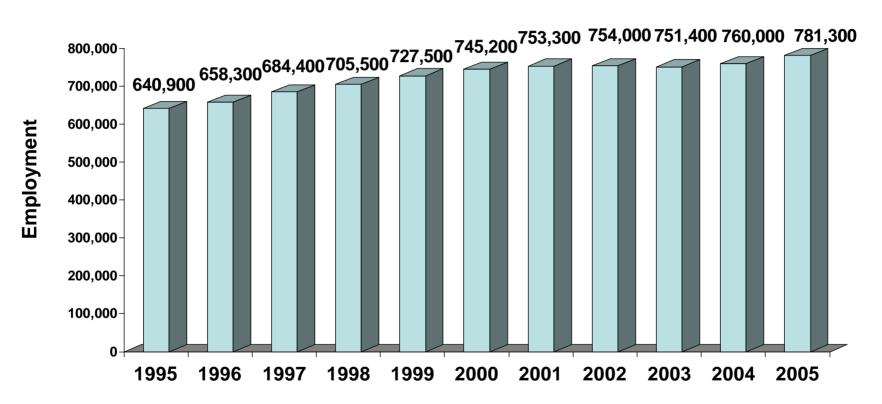
<b>Texas Cities</b>	
Austin	45.1%
Dallas	28.8%
Houston	27.1%
San Antonio	23.5%
El Paso	21.8%

42.9%
39.0%
37.2%
25.1%
23.5%

Source: U.S. Census

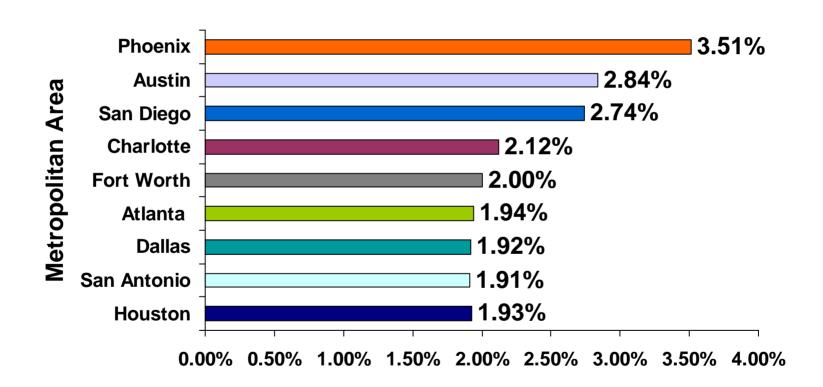
#### Workforce Indicators

#### San Antonio MSA Nonfarm Employment Seasonally Adjusted



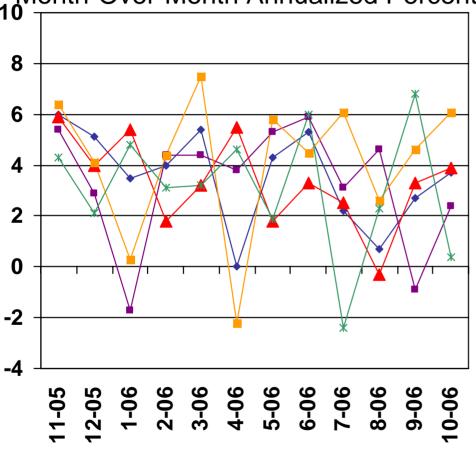
### Average Annual Growth Rate in Employment 1997-2005

Not Seasonally Adjusted



#### Nonfarm Employment Nov. 2005 – Oct. 2006

Month-Over-Month Annualized Percent Change, Seasonally Adjusted



Annualized % Change (November 2006)

Austin = 3.7%

Dallas = 2.4%

San Antonio = 3.9%

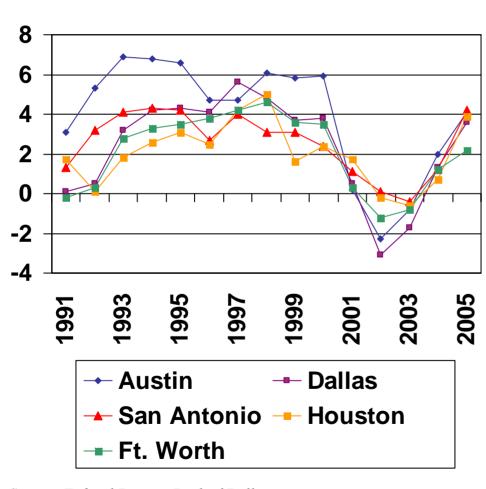
Houston = 6.1%

Ft. Worth = 0.4%



#### Nonfarm Employment

Year-Over-Year Growth, Seasonally Adjusted



#### 2005 Growth

Austin = 4.1%

Dallas = 3.6%

San Antonio = 4.2%

Houston = 3.9%

Ft. Worth = 2.2%

Avg. Growth: 1991-2005

Austin = 4.0%

Dallas = 2.2%

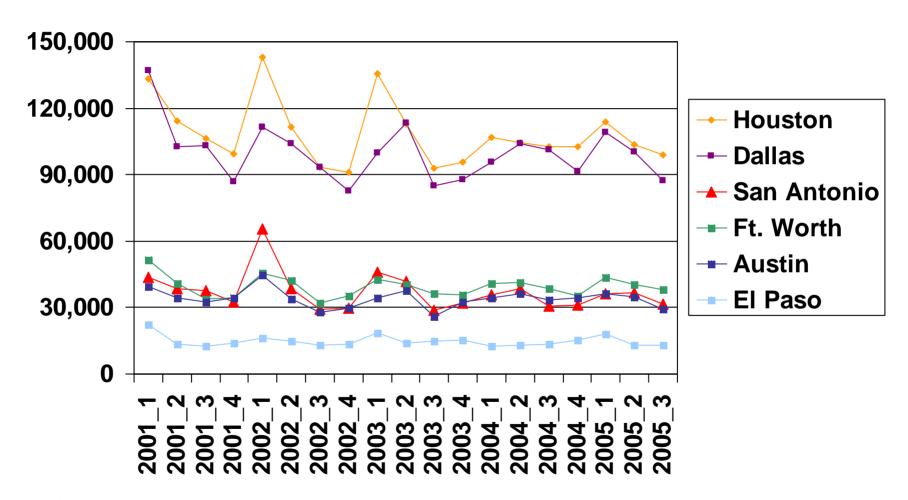
San Antonio = 2.4%

Houston = 1.9%

Ft. Worth = 2.1%

#### **Job Creation**

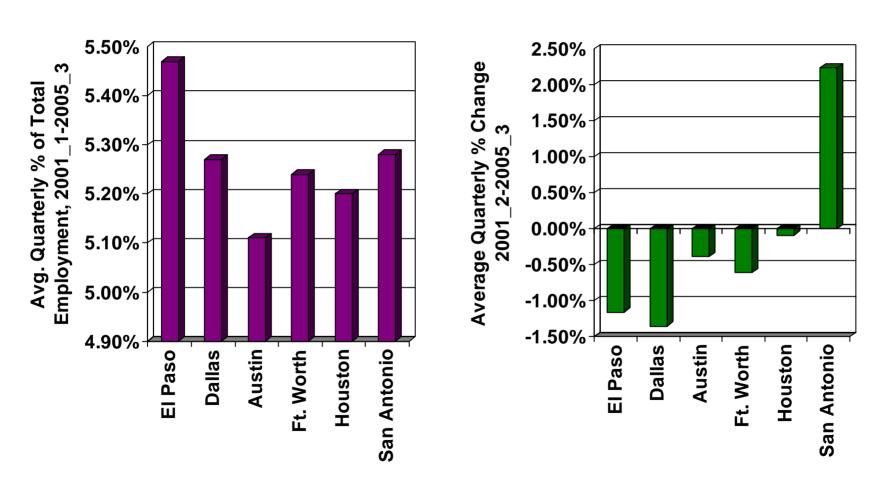
#### By Quarter



**Job creation** is defined as the number of new jobs that are created by either new area businesses or the expansion of employment by existing firms.

#### **Job Creation**

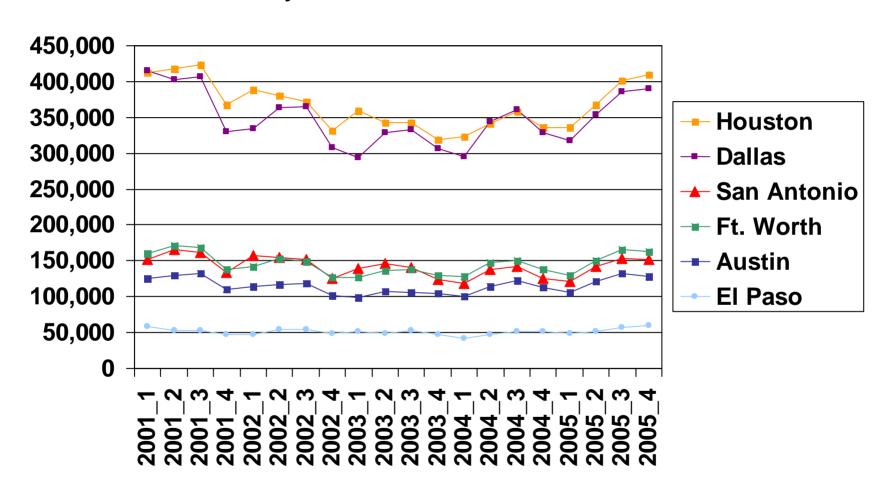
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#### **New Hires**

By Quarter, 2001-2005



### "Emerging Hubs for Creative Talent"

#### U.S. Cities

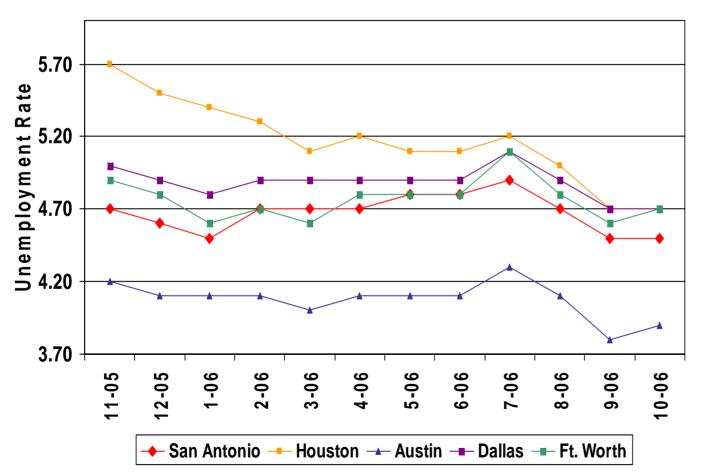
- Sacramento, CA
- Phoenix, AZ
- Salt Lake City, UT
- San Antonio, TX
- Raleigh-Durham, NC
- San Diego, CA
- Portland, OR
- Madison, WI
- Tucson, AZ
- Colorado Springs, CO

#### International Cities

- Dublin, Ireland
- Helsinki, Finland
- Montreal, Quebec
- Sydney, Australia
- Vancouver, British Columbia

# Monthly Unemployment Rate Nov. 2005 – Oct. 2006

#### Seasonally Adjusted



#### As of October 2006

San Antonio = 4.5%

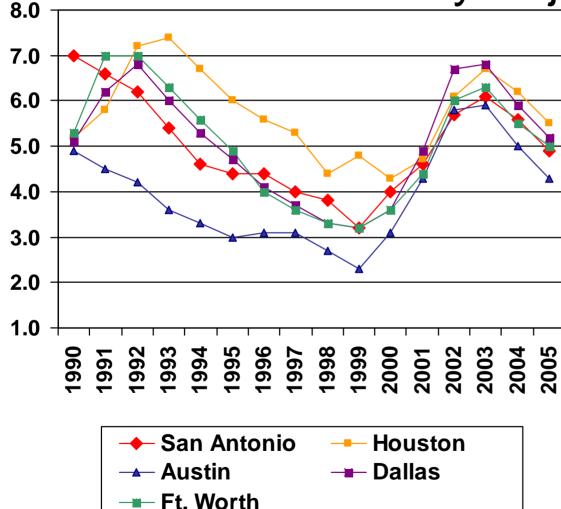
Houston = 4.7%

Austin = 3.9%

Dallas = 4.7%

Ft. Worth = 4.7%

### Annual Unemployment Rate Seasonally Adjusted



Avg. Unemployment: 1990-2005

Houston = 5.7%San Antonio = 5.0%Dallas = 5.1%Ft. Worth = 5.1%Austin = 3.9%

# Average Annual Unemployment Rate Comparison: 1996-2005

Not Seasonally Adjusted

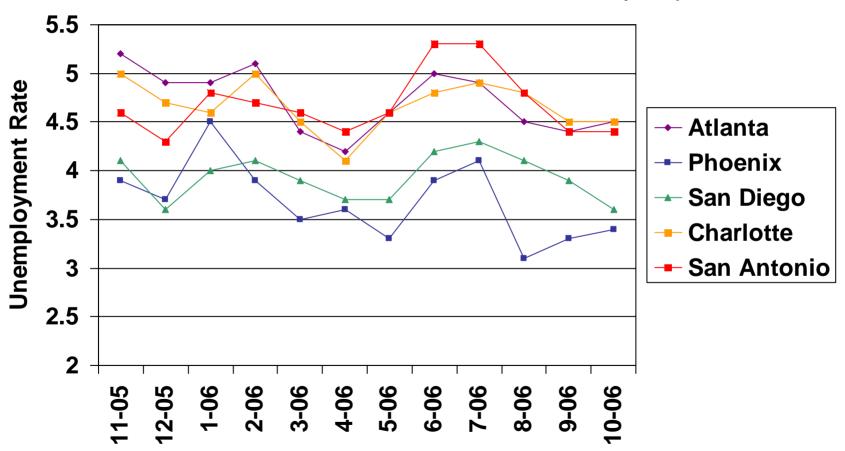
Texas	
El Paso	8.90%
Houston	5.35%
Dallas-Ft. Worth	4.65%
San Antonio	4.63%
Austin	3.96%

Selected Cities	
San Antonio	4.63%
Charlotte	4.38%
San Diego	4.37%
Atlanta	4.02%
Phoenix	3.96%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics; City of San Antonio Economic Development Department

### Unemployment Rates by Metropolitan Area

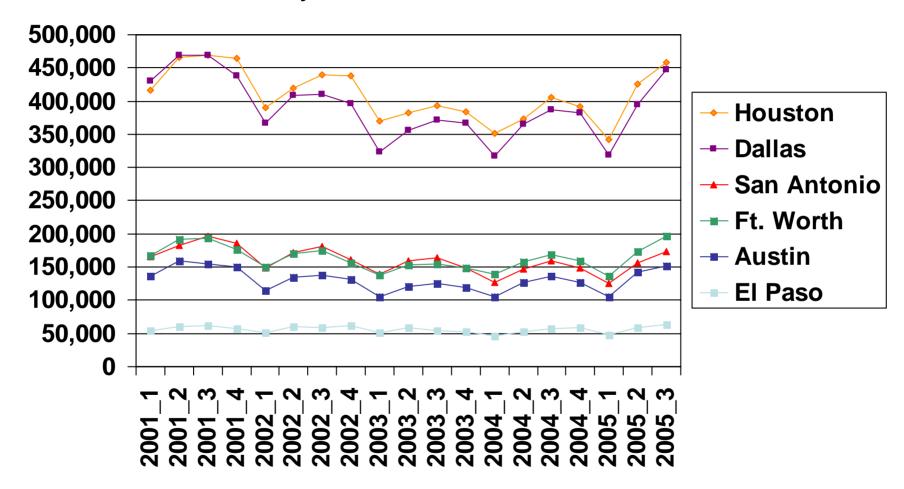
November 2005-October 2006, Not Seasonally Adjusted



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### Separations

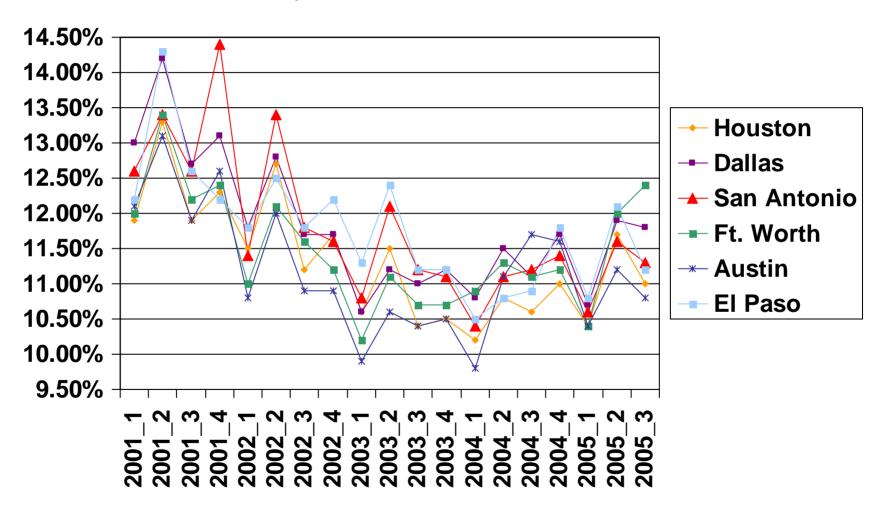
By Quarter, 2001-2005



**Separations** is defined as the total number of workers who were employed by a business in the current quarter, but not in the subsequent quarter.

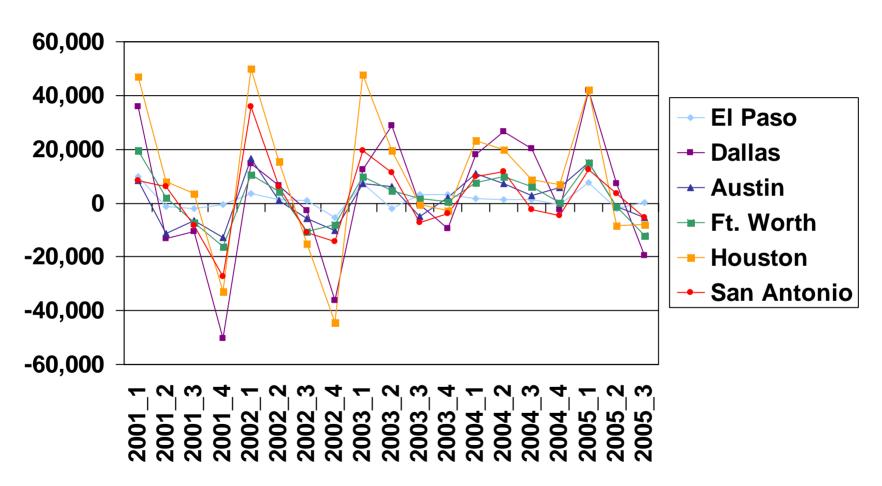
#### Workforce Turnover Rate

By Quarter, 2001-2005



#### **Net Job Flows**

By Quarter, 2001-2005

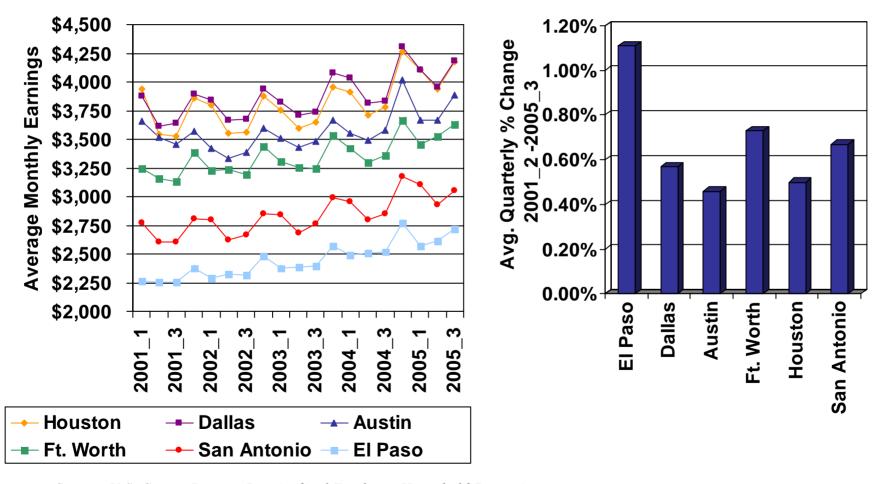


*Net job flows* is defined as the difference between current and previous employment at each business.

#### Wages and Income

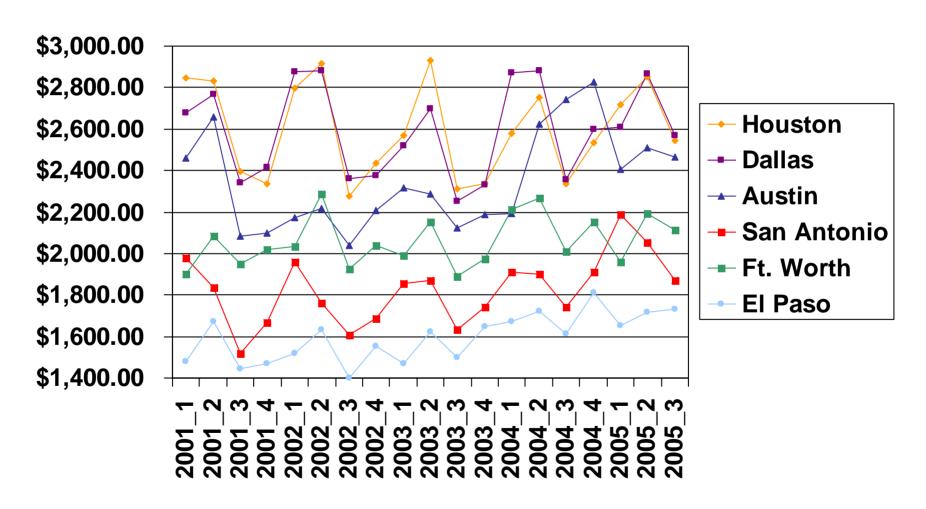
#### Average Monthly Earnings

By Quarter, 2001-2005



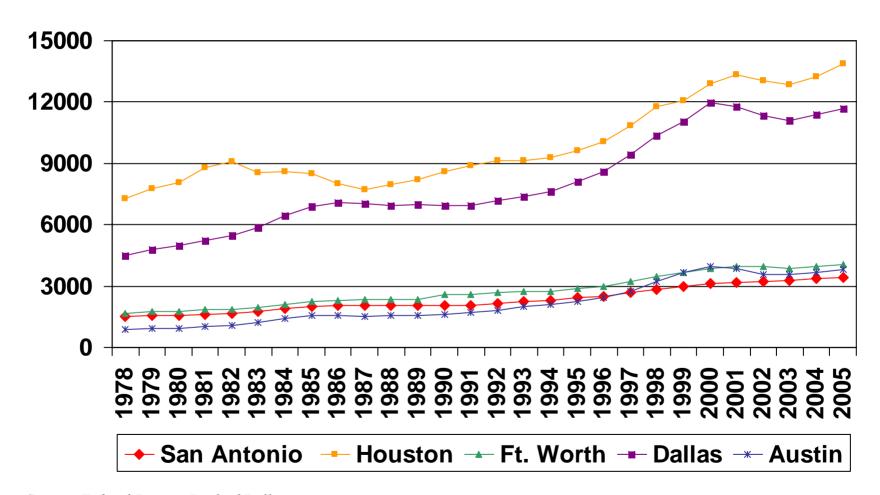
#### Average New Hire Earnings

By Quarter, 2001-2005



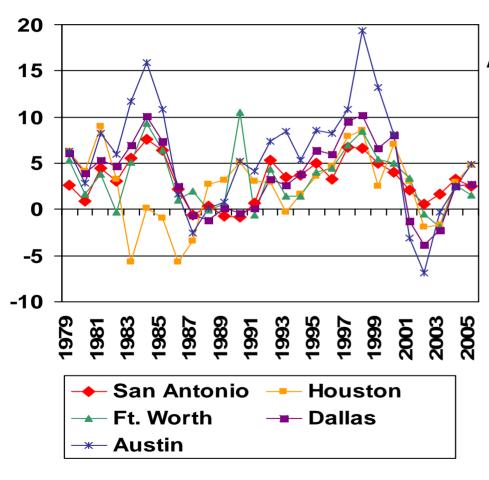
#### Real Wages Paid

Seasonally Adjusted, Millions of 1982-1984 Dollars



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

### Real Wages Paid – Annual Percent Growth Seasonally Adjusted



Avg. Annual Percent Growth 1979-2005

San Antonio = 3.15%

Houston = 2.48%

Ft. Worth = 3.39%

Dallas = 3.67%

Austin = 5.84%

#### Median Household Income

### 2005 American Community Survey (in 2005 inflation-adjusted dollars)

\$50,484
\$49,740
\$46,705
\$43,263
\$30,968

Selected MSAs	
San Diego	\$56,335
Atlanta	\$54,066
Phoenix	\$48,124
Charlotte	\$47,104
San Antonio	\$43,263

<sup>\*</sup> A *household* consists of all people who occupy a housing unit regardless of relationship. A household may consist of a person living alone or multiple unrelated individuals or families living together.

### Median Family Income

### 2005 American Community Survey

(in 2005 inflation-adjusted dollars)

Texas MSAs	
Austin	\$65,739
Dallas/Ft. Worth	\$58,736
Houston	\$54,121
San Antonio	\$51,098
El Paso	\$34,034

Selected MSAs	
San Diego	\$66,178
Atlanta	\$63,484
Charlotte	\$56,669
Phoenix	\$55,855
San Antonio	\$51,098

<sup>\*</sup> A *family* consists of two or more people, one of whom is the householder, related by birth, marriage, or adoption and residing in the same housing unit.

## Per Capita Personal Income 2004

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Houston \$36,852 Dallas/Ft. Worth \$35,502 Austin \$32,494

San Antonio \$28,946

El Paso \$21,829

#### **Selected MSAs**

 San Diego
 \$37,965

 Atlanta
 \$33,838

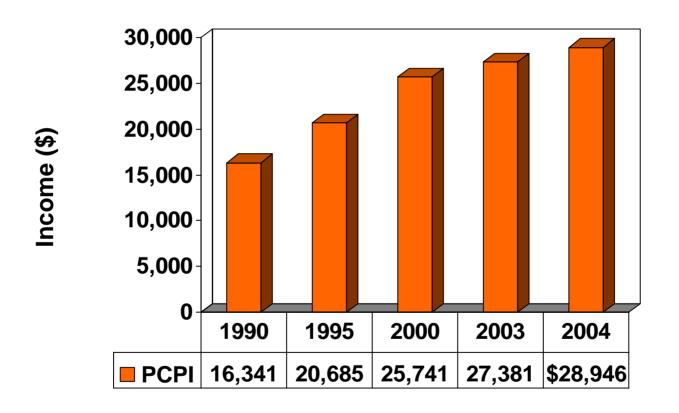
 Charlotte
 \$34,816

 Phoenix
 \$31,133

 San Antonio
 \$28,946

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

## San Antonio MSA Per Capita Personal Income



## Per Capita Personal Income 10-Year Average Annual Growth Rate 1994-2004

Texas MSAs	
Austin Houston	8.2% 7.0%
Dallas/Ft. Worth	6.8%
San Antonio	6.0%
El Paso	5.4%

Selected MSA	As
Phoenix	7.9%
Atlanta	6.8%
Charlotte	6.8%
San Diego	6.5%
San Antonio	6.0%

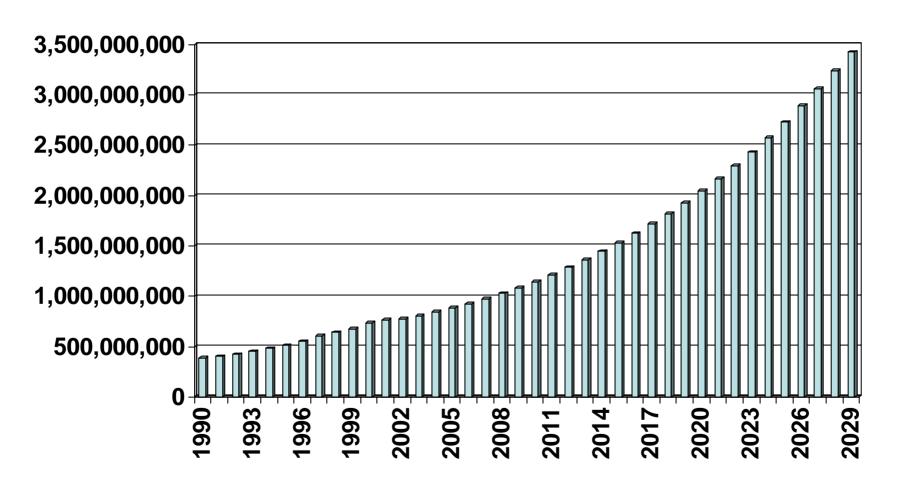
#### **Gross State Product**

and

**Gross Regional Product** 

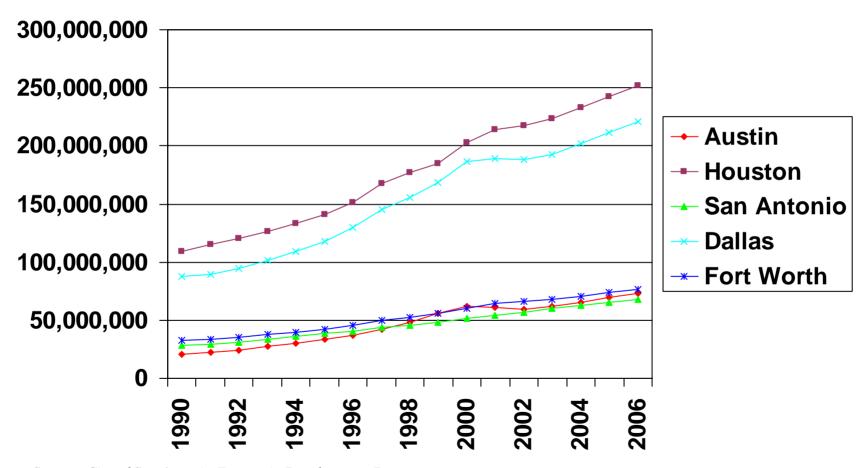
Gross state product (GSP) and gross regional product (GRP) provide measures of the size of the state economy and the metropolitan area economy, respectively. They are similar to the Gross Domestic Product measure used to measure the size of the U.S. economy.

## Texas Gross State Product, 1990-2029 (thousands of dollars)



### Gross Regional Product, 1990-2006

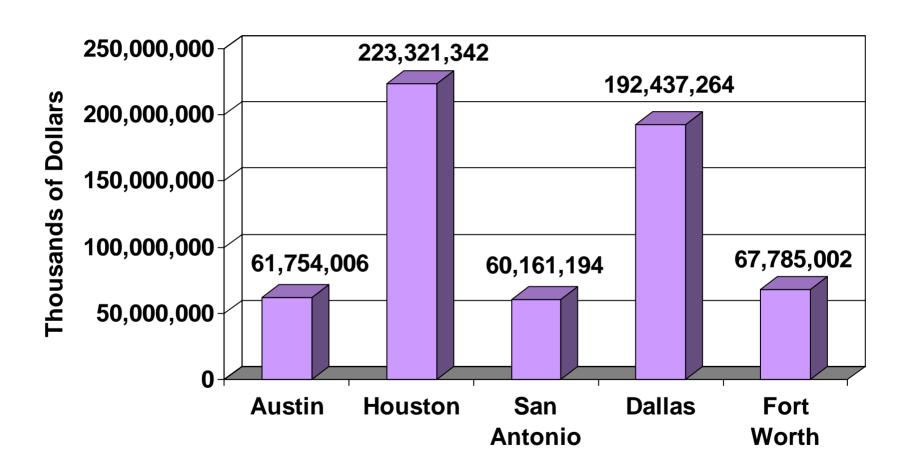
(thousands of dollars)



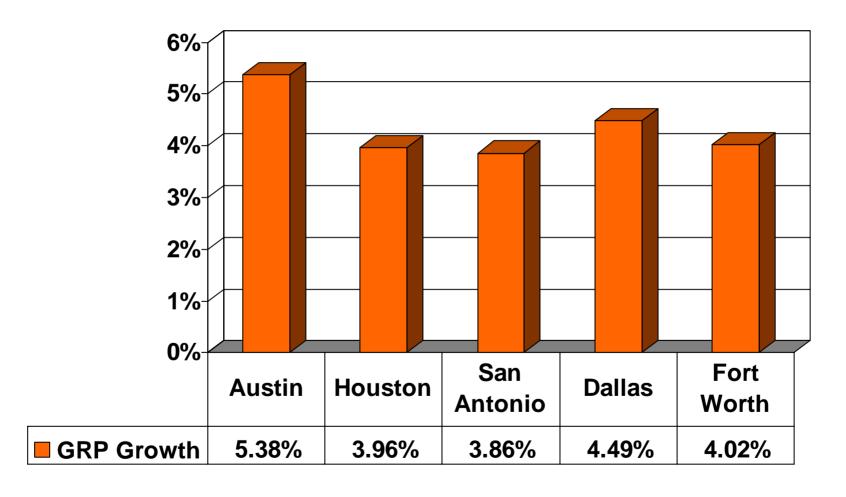
Source: City of San Antonio Economic Development Department

Note: 2004-2006 are estimates.

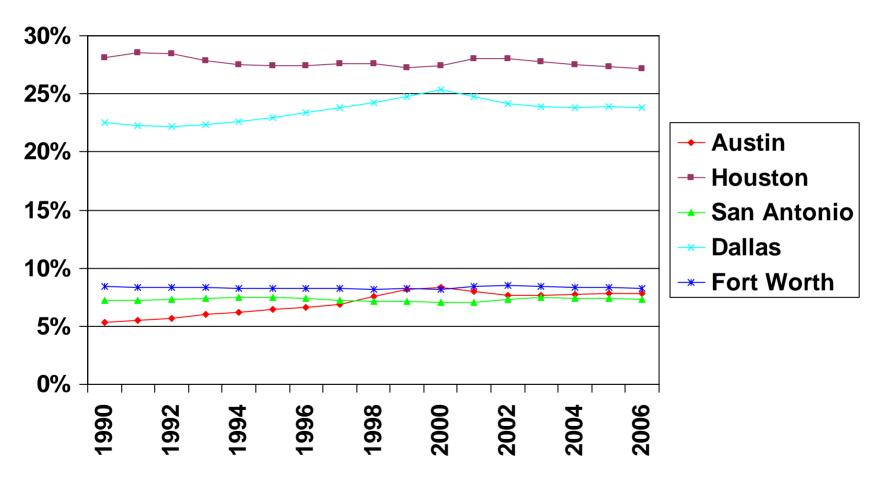
## Gross Regional Product - 2003



# Estimated Growth in Gross Regional Product - 2006



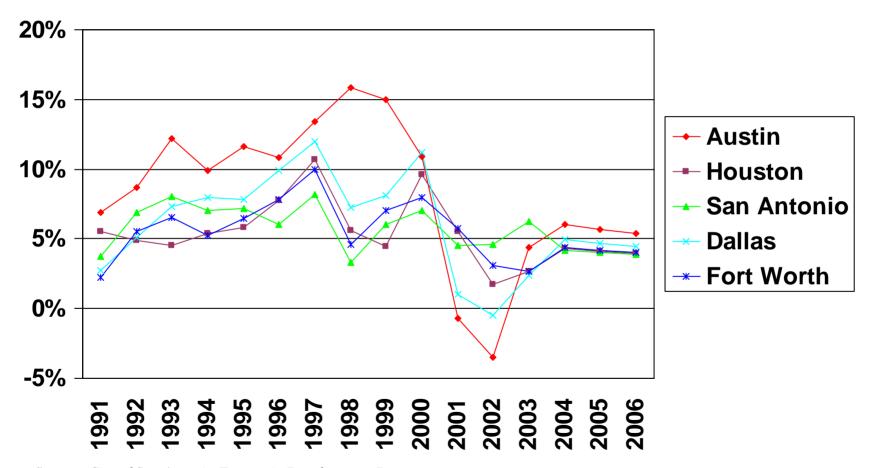
# Gross Regional Product as a % of Gross State Product, 1990-2006



Source: City of San Antonio Economic Development Department

Note: 2004-2006 are estimates.

# Gross Regional Product Growth 1991-2006



Source: City of San Antonio Economic Development Department

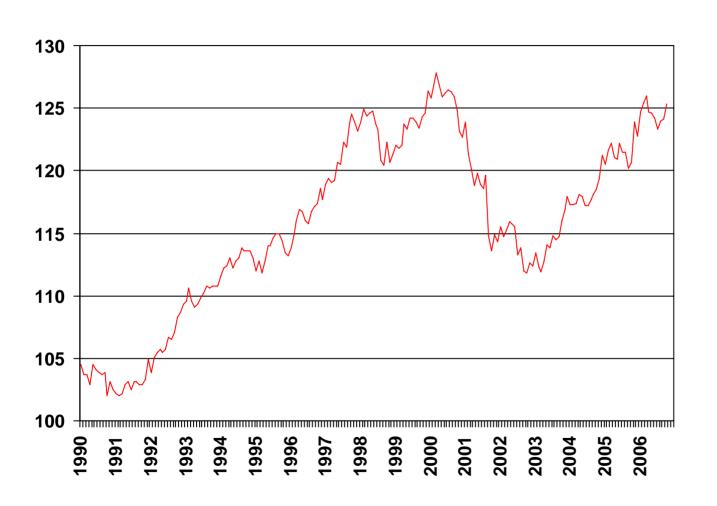
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## Coincident and Leading Indices

Coincident Economic Index: The coincident economic index is a single summary statistic that tracks the current state of the economy by being computed from a number of data series that move systematically with overall economic conditions. A rise in the index indicates an expansion of current economic activity and a decline in the index indicates a contraction in current economic activity.

Leading Economic Index: The leading economic index is a single summary statistic that projects the state of the economy in the future (approximately 6-12 months) by being computed from a number of data series that precede movements in the overall economy. A rise in the index indicates a projected increase in economic activity in the future, and a decrease in the index indicates a projected decrease in economic activity in the future.

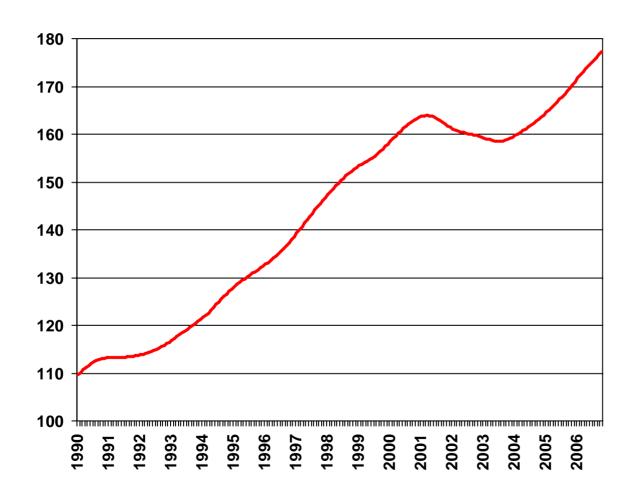
# Texas Leading Economic Index 01/1990-10/2006



The index increased from 124 1 in September 2006 to 125.3 in September 2006. On an annualized basis, this is a 12.24% increase. This is the third consecutive month of increases after four consecutive months of decline in the index. 51

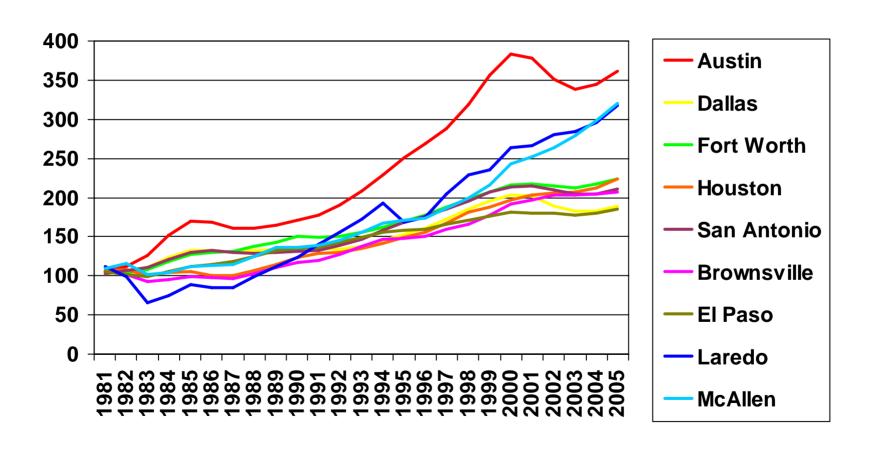
Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas; City of San Antonio Economic Development Department

# Texas Coincident Economic Index 01/1990-10/2006



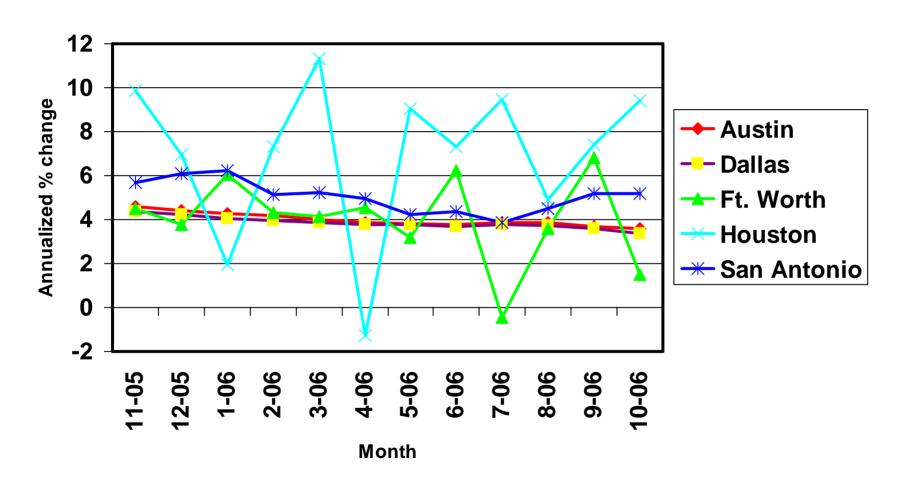
The index increased from 176.66 in September 2006 to 177.22 in October 2006. On an annualized basis, this is a 3.87% increase.

### Coincident Index By Metropolitan Area (Seasonally Adjusted)



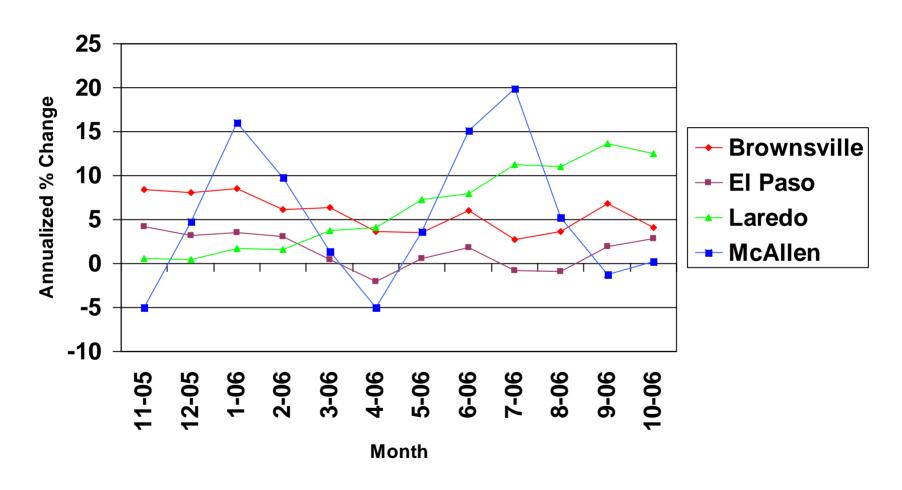
#### Coincident Index – Major Metro Areas Annualized Percent Change (Seasonally Adjusted)

November 2005-October 2006



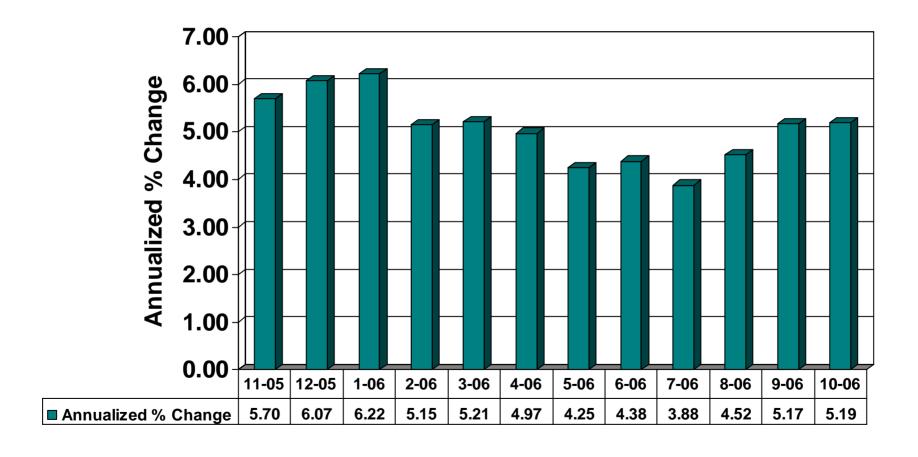
#### Coincident Index – Border Metro Areas Annualized Percent Change (Seasonally Adjusted)

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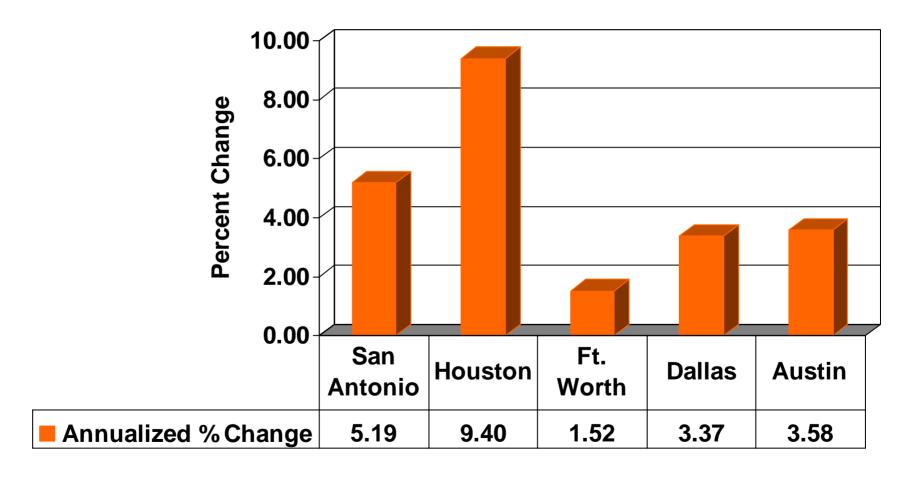


#### Coincident Index - San Antonio Annualized Percent Change (Seasonally Adjusted)

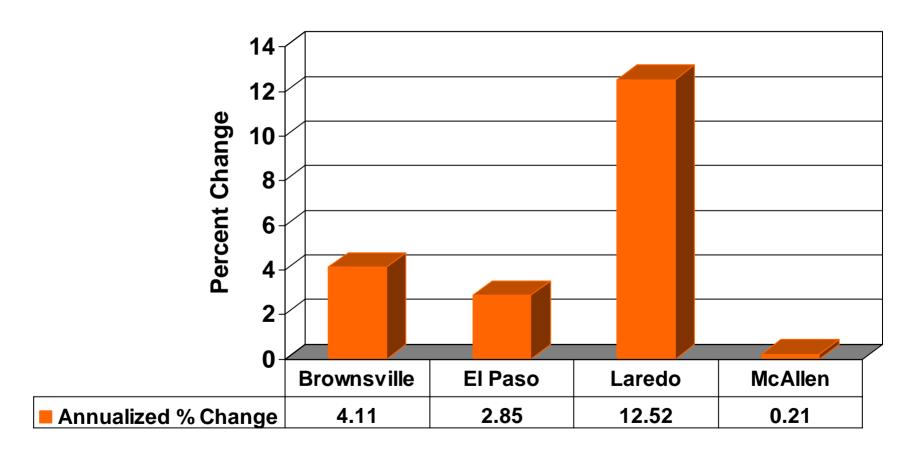
November 2005-October 2006



#### Coincident Index – Annualized Percent Change October 2006 Seasonally Adjusted



#### Coincident Index – Annualized Percent Change October 2006 Seasonally Adjusted



#### Indicators of Innovation Potential

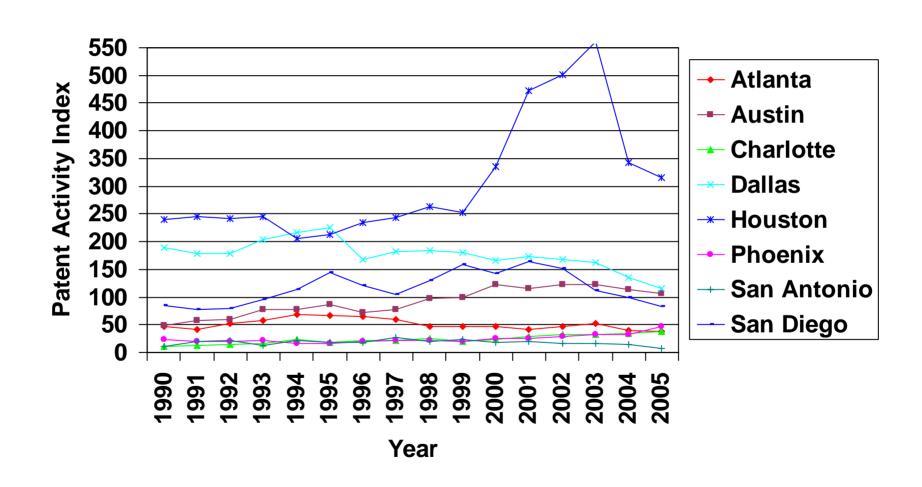
## Top 20 Inventive Towns (Patents Submitted)

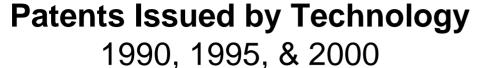
Rank	Town	# Patents 2005
1	San Jose, CA	3,867
2	Sunnyvale, CA	1,881
3	Austin, TX	1,705
4	Palo Alto, CA	1,601
5	Fremont, CA	1,440
6	San Diego, CA	1,382
7	Cupertino, CA	1,360
8	Boise, ID	1,213
9	Mountain View, CA	1,128
10	Santa Clara, CA	1,096

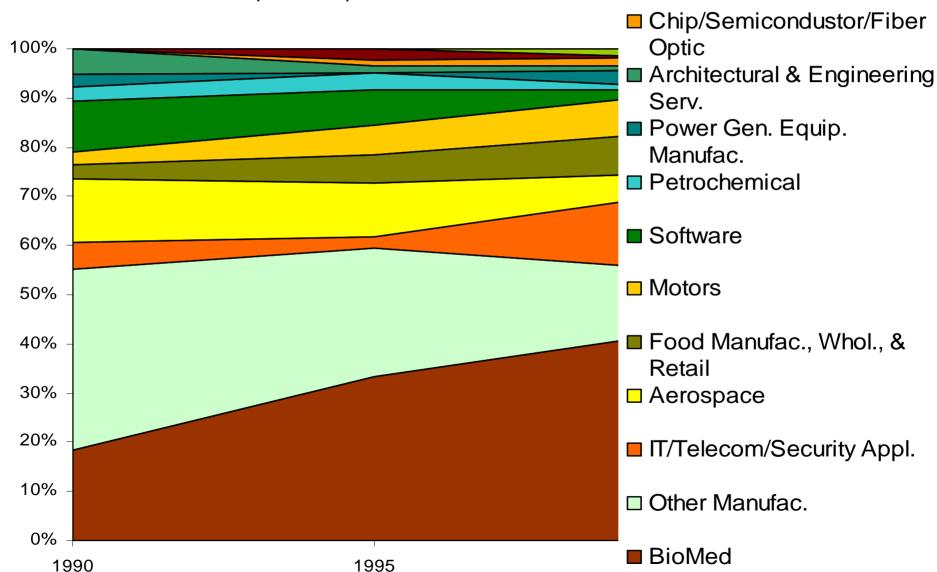
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Rank	Town	# Patents 2005
11	Houston, TX	1,071
12	San Francisco, CA	1,022
13	Portland, OR	784
14	Seattle, WA	756
15	Los Altos, CA	719
16	Rochester, NY	664
17	Plano, TX	643
18	Saratoga, CA	620
19	Menlo Park, CA	619
20	New York , NY	614

Patent Activity Index: Compares the patent activity within a metropolitan area to the other metropolitan areas selected. An index of 100 indicates that the number of utility and design patents granted to the assignee in that year within the metropolitan area equals the average number of patents granted in all of the metropolitan areas shown in the graph.

## Patent Activity Index by Metropolitan Area (Patents Issued)







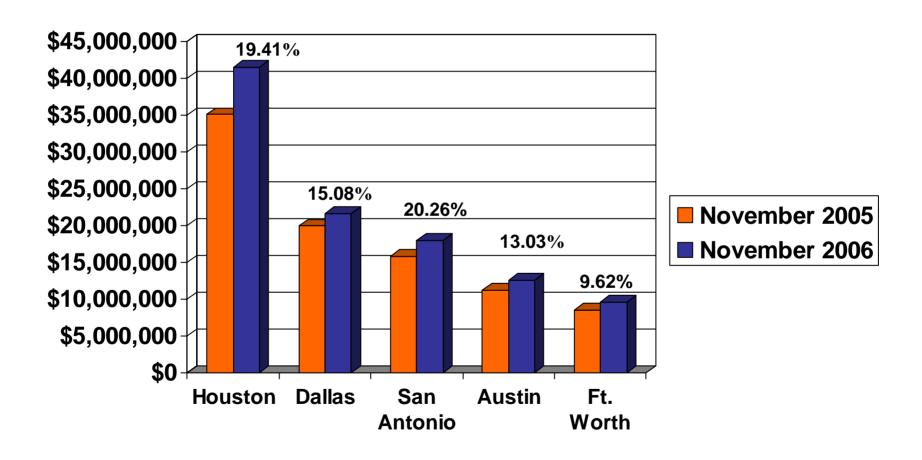
■ Defense Appl.

Apparel Manufac.

### Sales and Use Tax Revenues

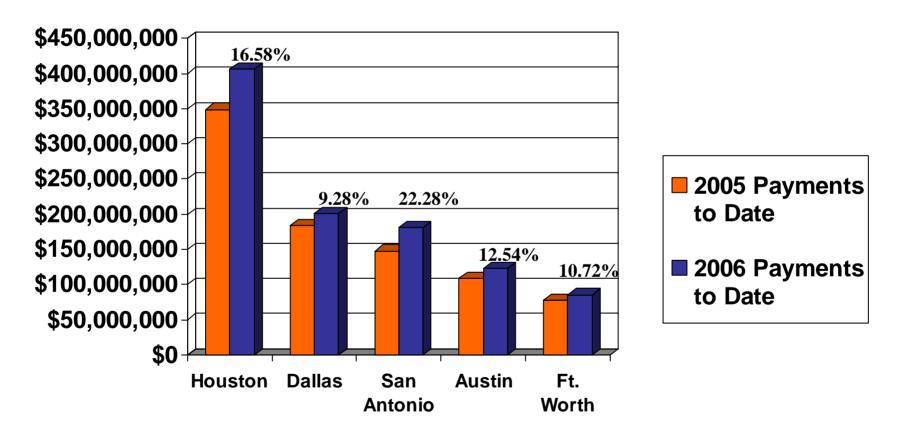
#### Sales and Use Tax Revenues By City November 2005 to November 2006 Comparison

(Numbers above the blue bars show the percent change)



# Sales and Use Tax Revenues By City Comparison of 2005 and 2006 Payments to Date thru November

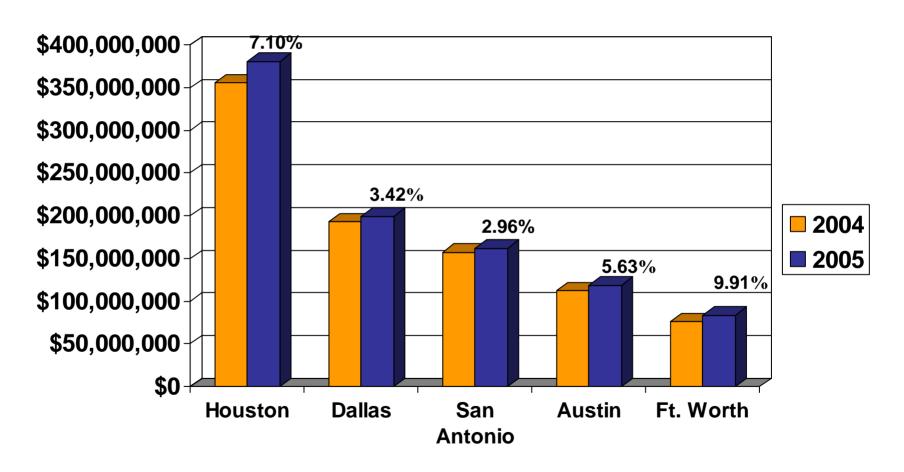
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Source: Texas Comptroller for Public Accounts

## Sales and Use Tax Revenues By City 2004 to 2005 Comparison

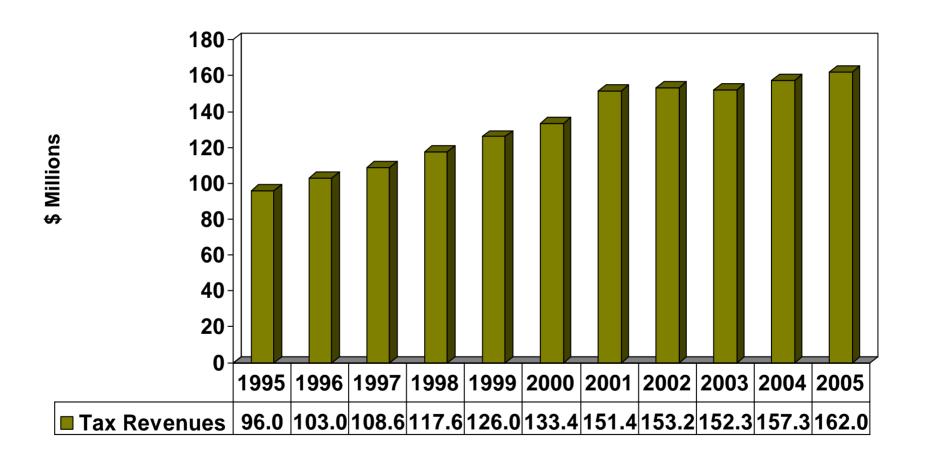
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# Sales Tax Collections 2004-2005

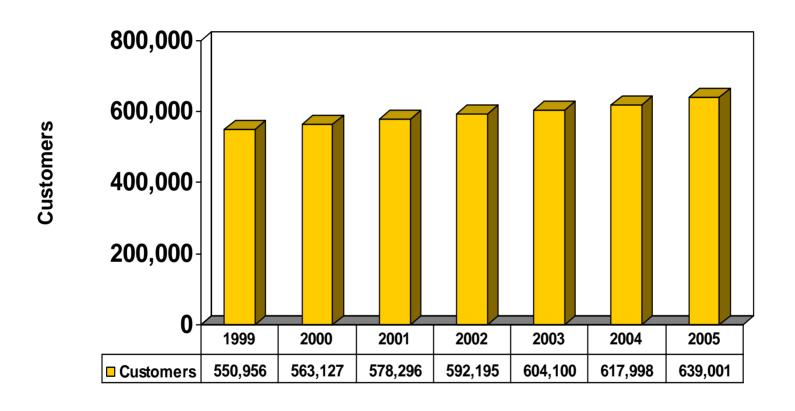
City	Dollar Growth 2004-2005	Percent Growth 2004-2005
Austin	\$6,338,042	5.63%
Dallas	\$6,613,370	3.43%
Fort Worth	\$7,552,233	9.91%
Houston	\$25,255,443	7.10%
San Antonio	\$4,666,365	2.97%

## City of San Antonio Sales Tax Collections in Millions



## **Electrical Utility Indicators**

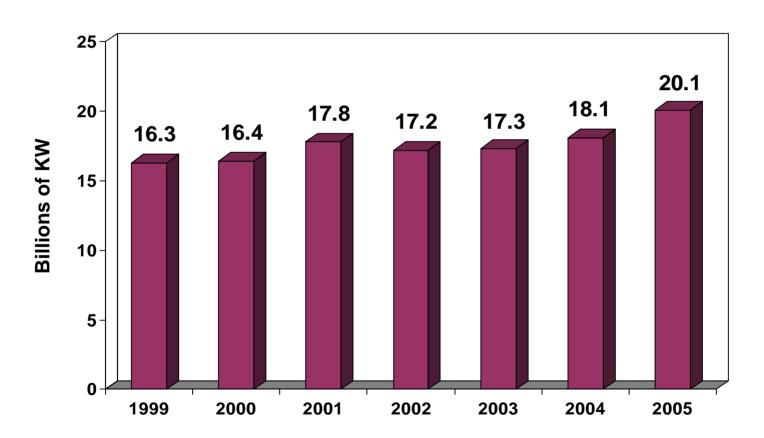
# San Antonio CPS Total Electric Customers



Source: CPS Energy

### San Antonio Electrical Total Annual Consumption

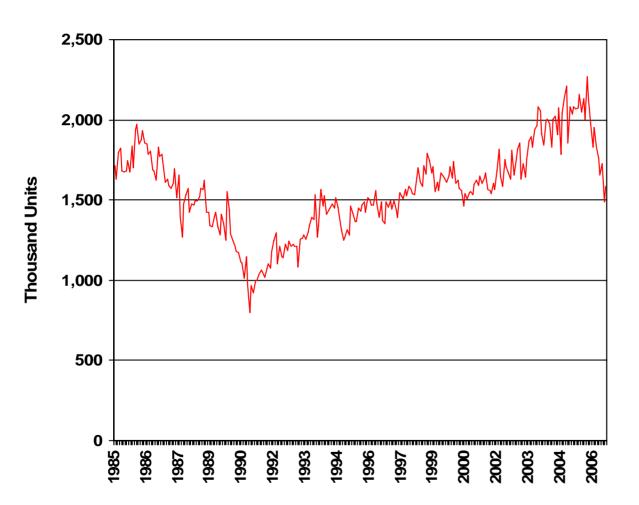
#### **Billions of Kilowatts**



Source: CPS Energy 72

### Real Estate Indicators

## Housing Starts Seasonally Adjusted



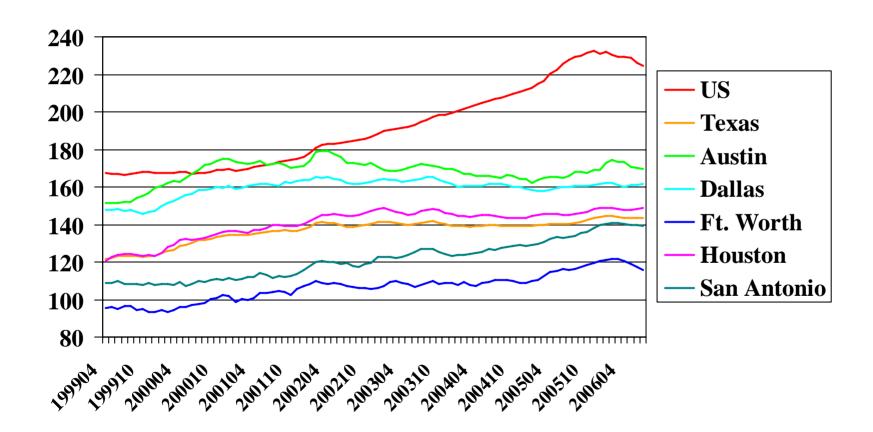
Housing starts across the U.S. increased 6.72% in November. This follows an decrease of 13.69% in October, on a month-to-month basis. However, starts have declined 25.48% from November 2005 to November 2006.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas; City of San Antonio Economic Development Department According to a study done by Moody's Economy.com, San Antonio is projected to have the strongest growth in housing prices of the 100 largest metropolitan areas in 2006. Projected growth for San Antonio is 8.30% in 2006 and 7.00% in 2007.

Florian Kratz, Ellen. "Real Estate: Is the Party Over? Exclusive Forecasts for the 100 Largest Markets." *Fortune*. Dec. 16, 2005. As reported on CNNMoney.com.

## Median Existing Home Prices

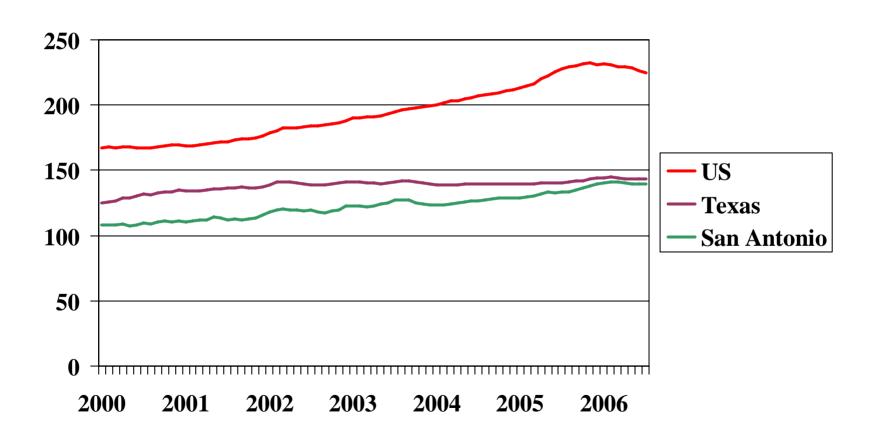
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Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

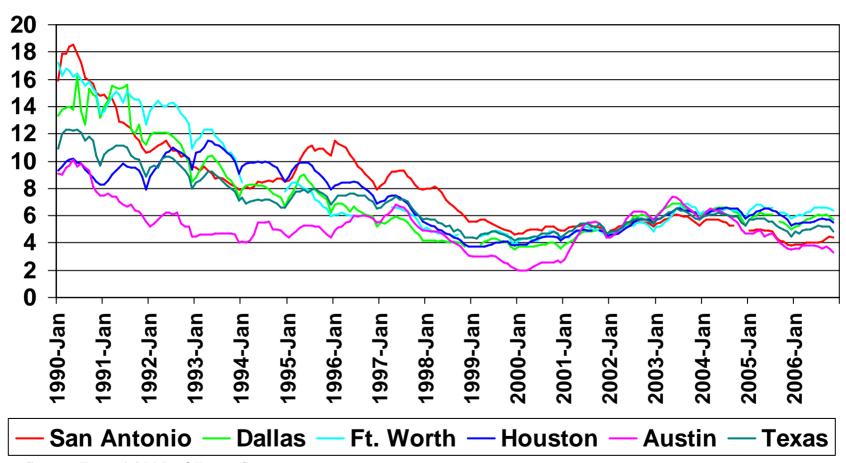
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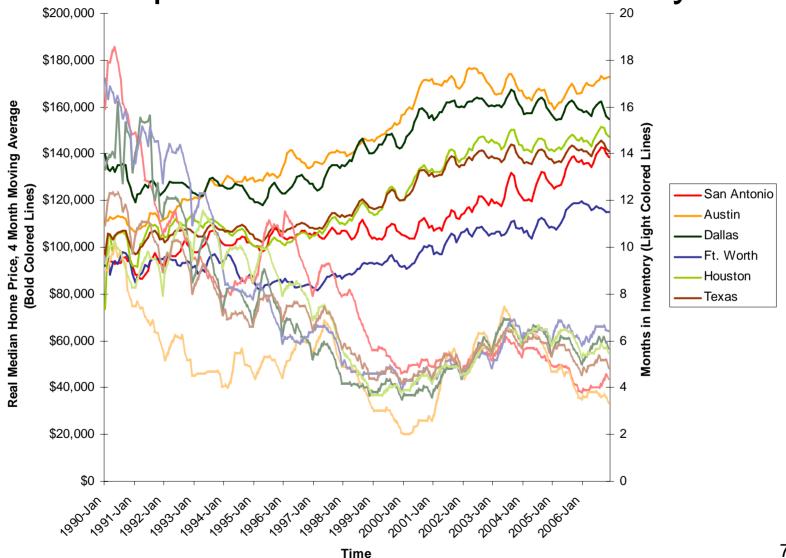
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## Months in Inventory

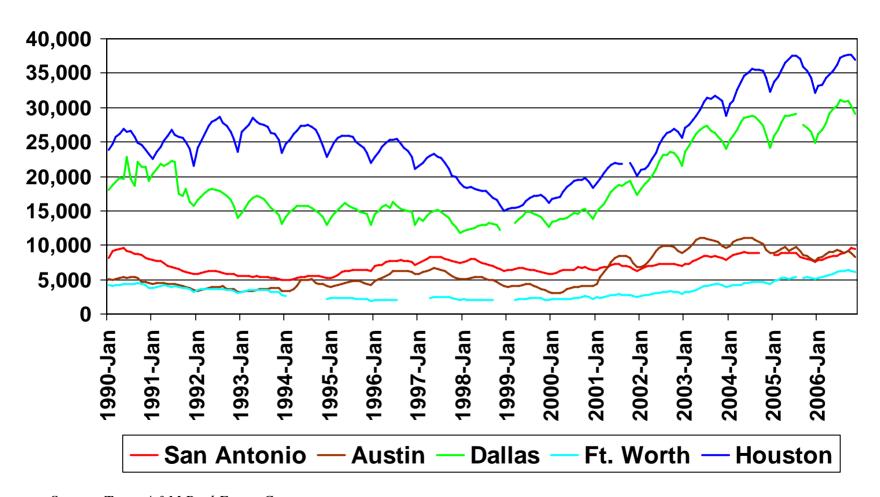


Source: Texas A&M Real Estate Center

### Selected Texas Real Median Home Prices Compared to Months in Inventory



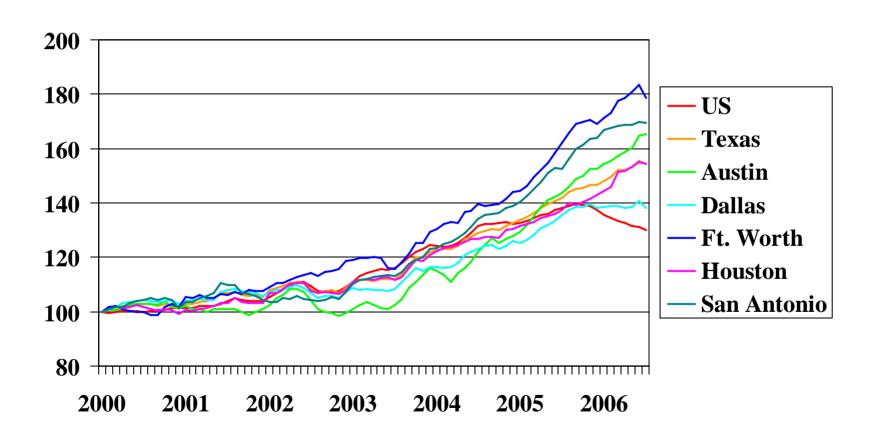
## Total Number of Listings



Source: Texas A&M Real Estate Center

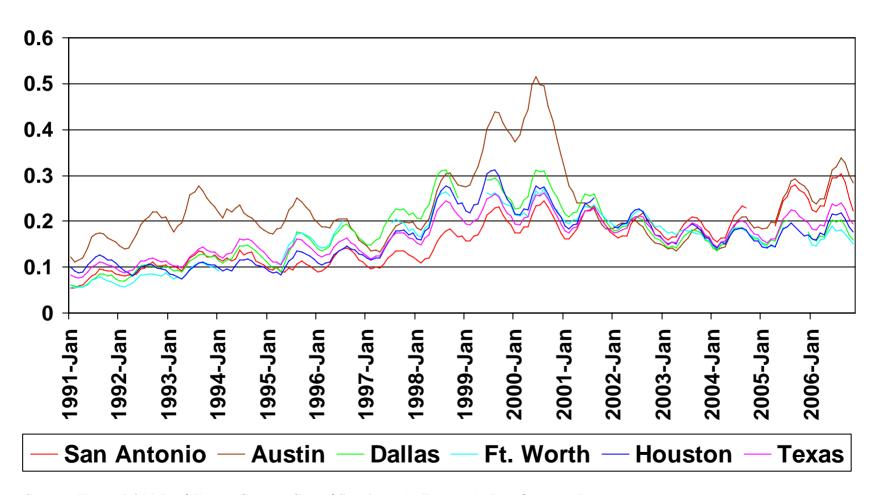
## **Existing Home Sales**

Indexed, Jan 2000=100, 6MMA



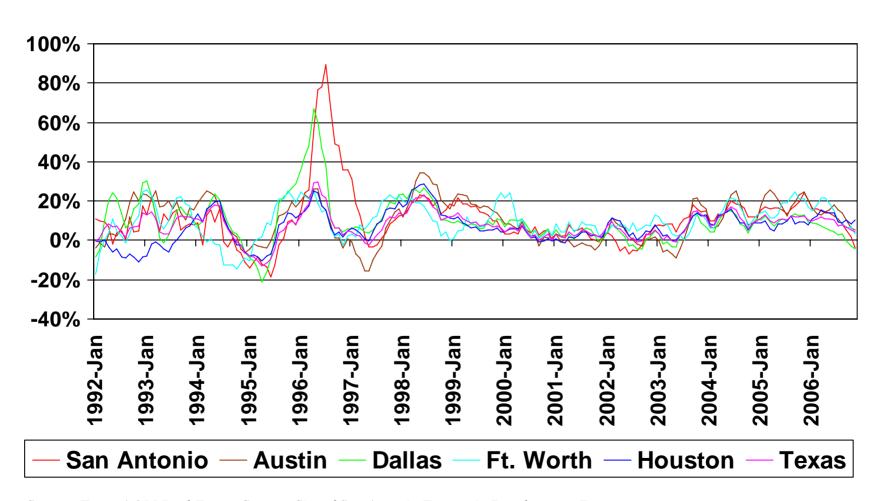
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## MLS Home Sales to Listings 4MMA



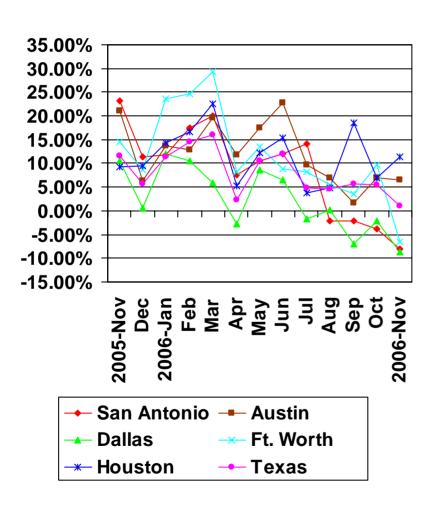
### MLS Home Sales

#### Year-over-Year Percent Change, 4MMA

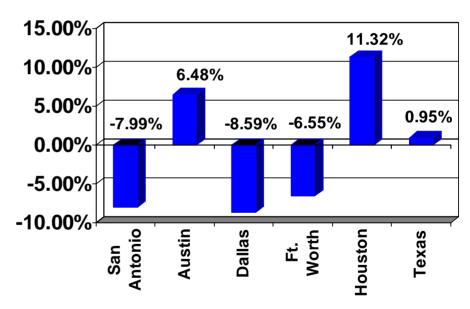


### MLS Home Sales

### Year-over-Year Percent Change

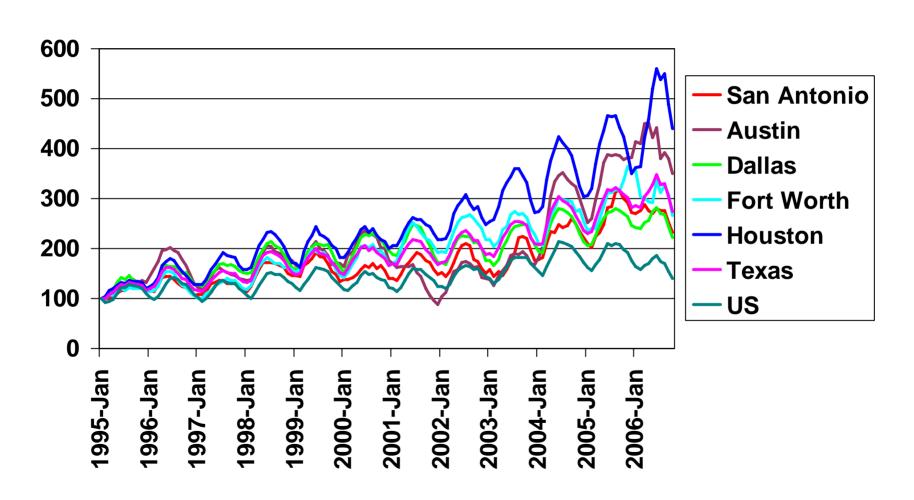


Percent Change, Nov. 2005-Nov. 2006

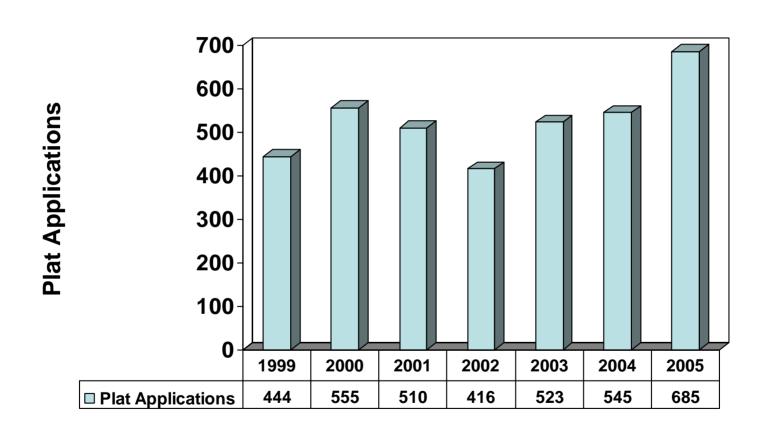


## **Building Permits**

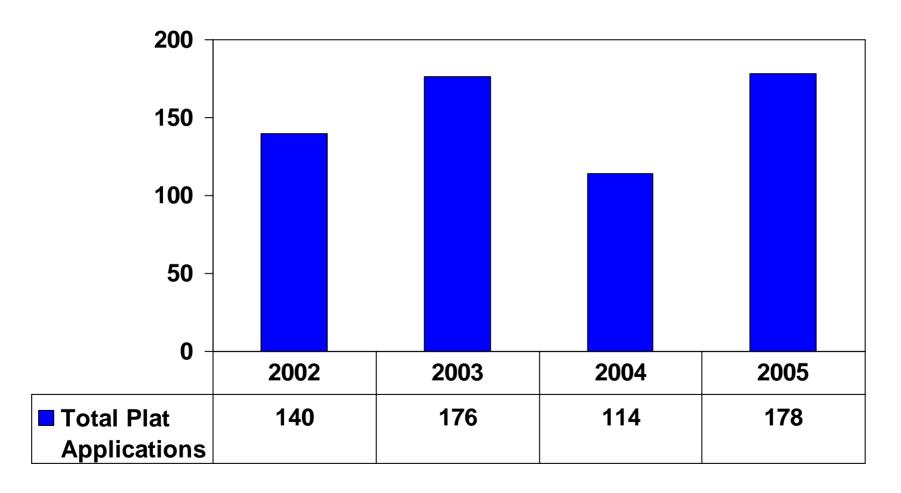
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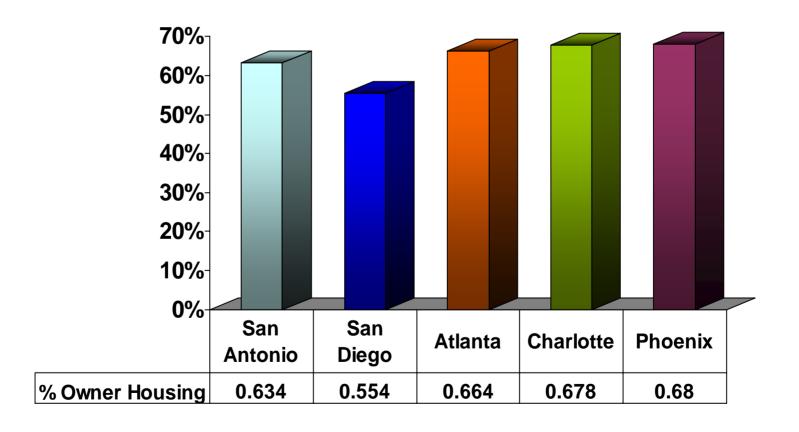
### San Antonio – Plat Applications



## San Antonio Plat Applications for Fourth Quarter 2002-2005



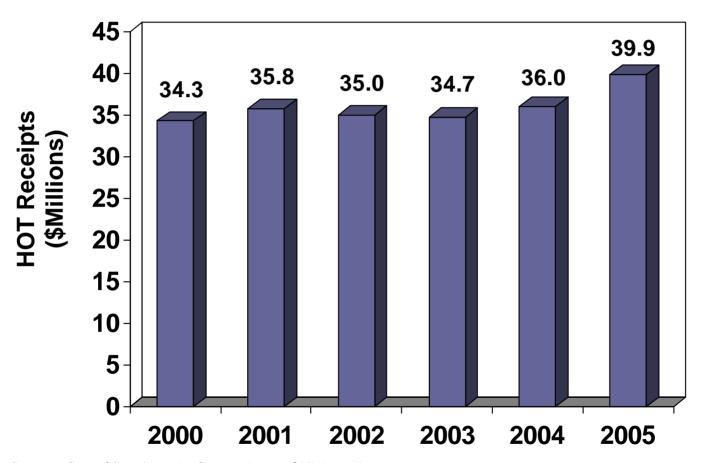
## San Antonio MSA Owner-Occupied Housing 2000 Census



Source: U.S. Census

### **Tourism Indicators**

#### San Antonio Hotel Occupancy Tax Receipts



Source: City of San Antonio Convention and Visitors Bureau

### San Antonio Hotel Occupancy Tax Receipts



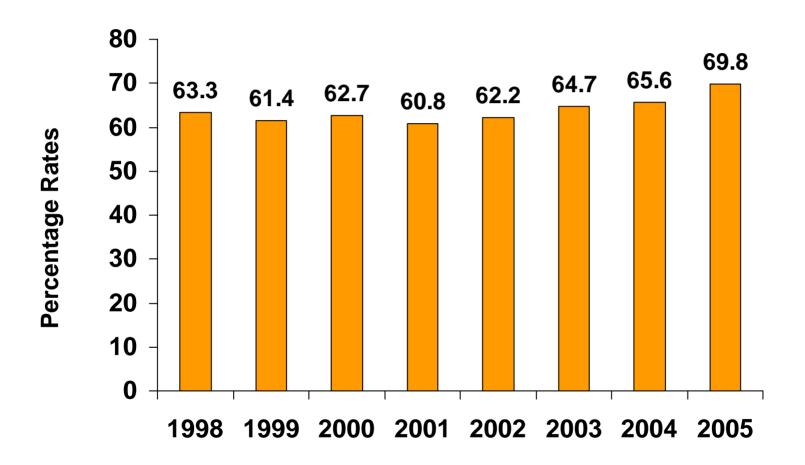
# Hotel Occupancy Tax Collections City of San Antonio

Oct. 2006	Oct. 2005	Percent Change
\$3,127,133	\$3,064,008	1.4%
2006 Fiscal Year to Date	2005 Fiscal Year to Date	Percent Change
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# Hotel Occupancy Tax Collections City of San Antonio

Nov. 2006	Nov. 2005	Percent Change
\$4,151,623	\$3,004,033	38.2%
2006 Fiscal Year to Date	2005 Fiscal Year to Date	Percent Change
\$7,278,756	\$6,068,041	19.9%

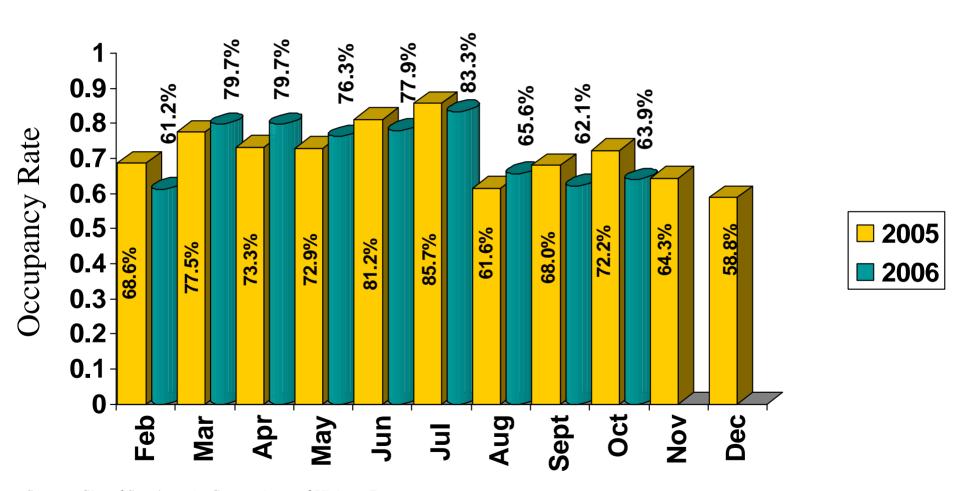
### San Antonio – City Annual Hotel Occupancy Rates



Source: City of San Antonio Convention and Visitors Bureau

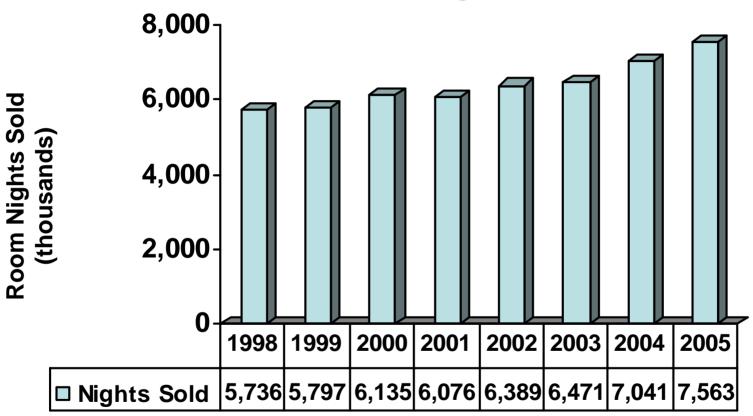
NOTE: 2005 is an estimate.

### San Antonio – City Monthly Hotel Occupancy Rates

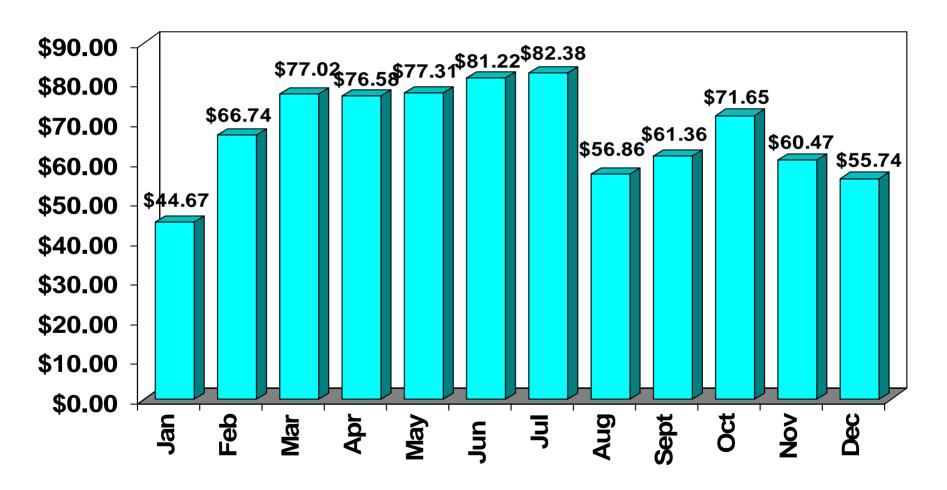


Source: City of San Antonio Convention and Visitors Bureau

## San Antonio – City Hotel Room Nights Sold



## Monthly Revenue Per Room (RevPAR) 2005



Source: City of San Antonio Convention and Visitors Bureau

New data no longer reported.

### Film Production in San Antonio

	October 2006	October 2005	% Change
Production Value Generated	\$452,180	\$547,754	-17.4%
Shoot Days	12	25	-52.0%

Production value is the sum of the value of goods, services, and hotel room nights purchased.

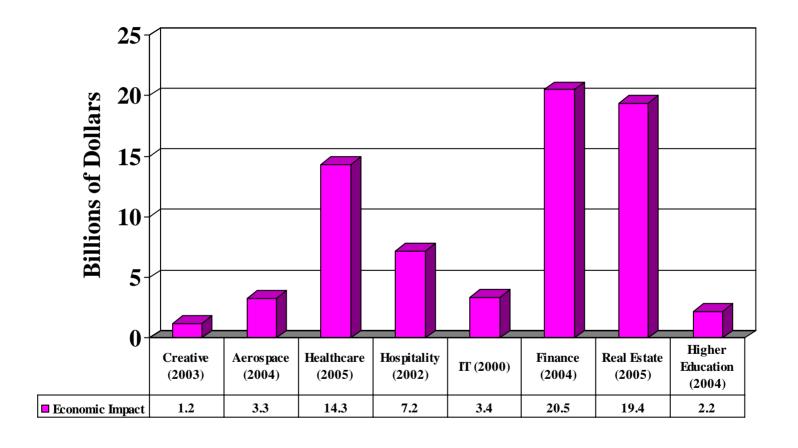
FYTD = fiscal year to date

### Indicators of Select Industries

#### Sources for Indicators of Select Industries

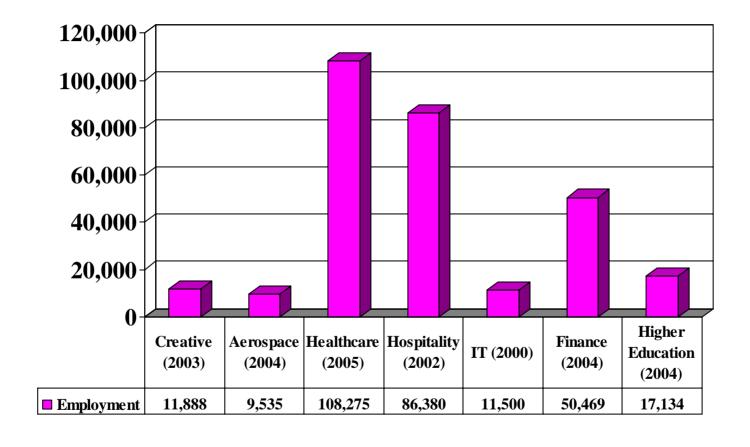
INDUSTRY	SOURCE
Creative	City of San Antonio Office of Cultural Affairs
Aerospace	Greater San Antonio Chamber
Healthcare	Greater San Antonio Chamber
Hospitality	Greater San Antonio Chamber
Information Technology	Greater San Antonio Chamber
Finance	City of San Antonio Economic Development Department
Real Estate	Real Estate Council
Higher Education	Higher Education Council of San Antonio

### Economic Impact by Industry



NOTE: Healthcare includes the bioscience industry. All impacts are measured using the same methodology, except for the real estate and higher education impacts.

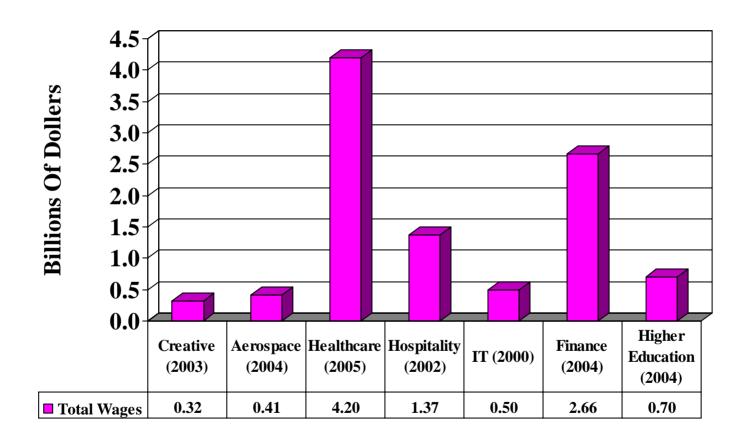
### Direct Employment by Industry



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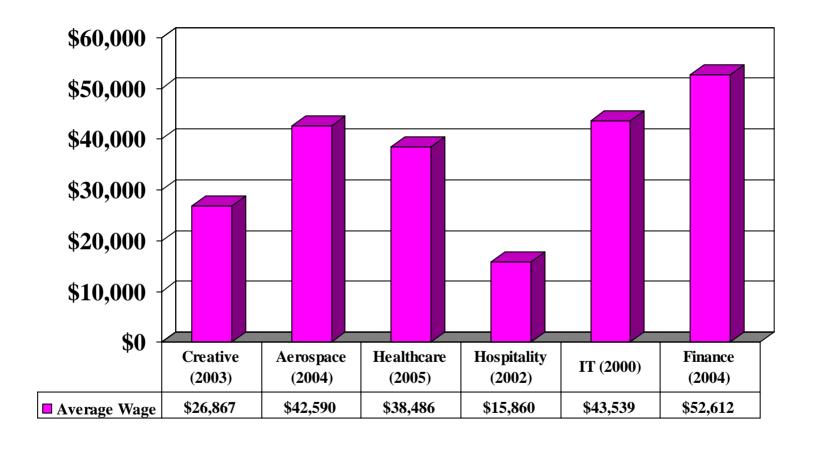
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### Total Wages by Industry



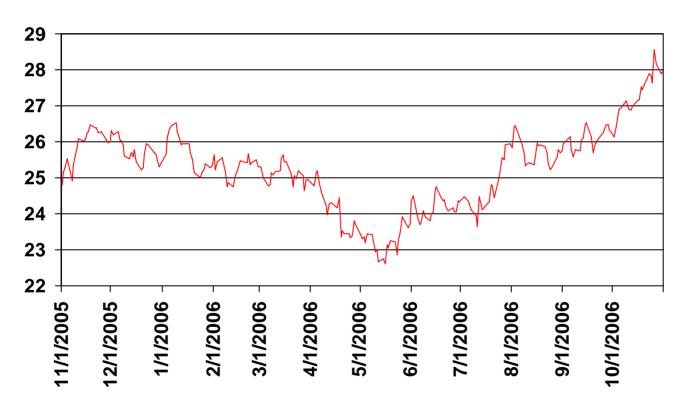
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### Average Wages by Industry



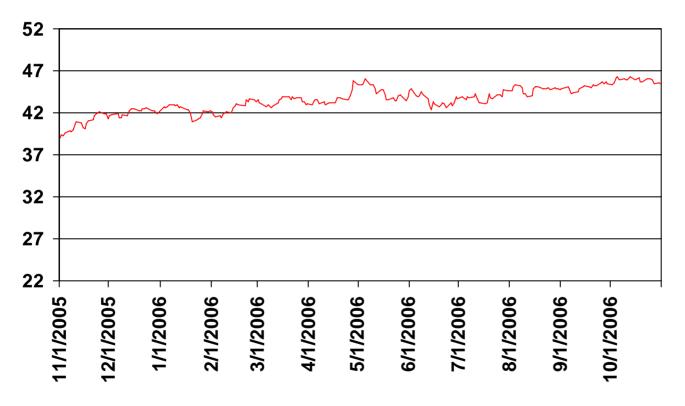
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### Index of Publicly Traded Technology Companies in San Antonio 11/1/2005-10/31/2006



Index increased by 12.62% from 11/1/05-10/31/06 and also experienced an increase in the month of October 2006.

### Index of Publicly Traded Finance Companies in San Antonio 11/1/2005-10/31/2006

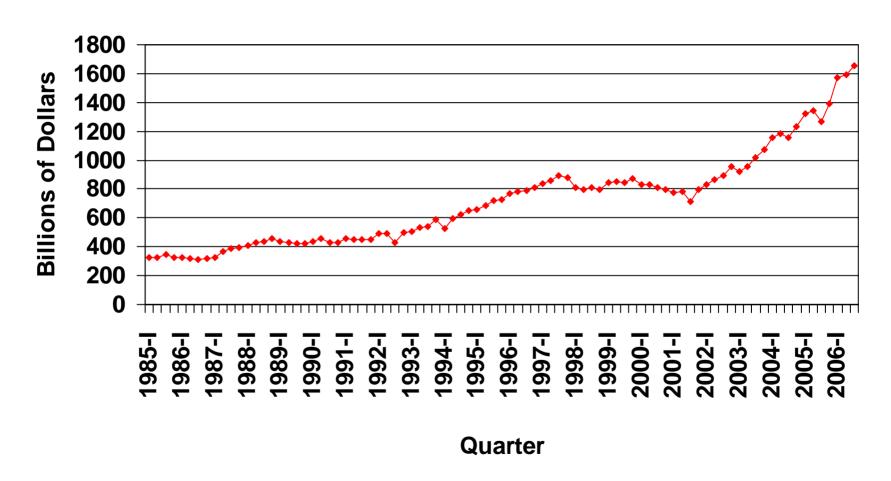


Index increased by 16.60% from 11/1/05-10/31/06 and experienced a slight increase of 0.34% in October 2006.

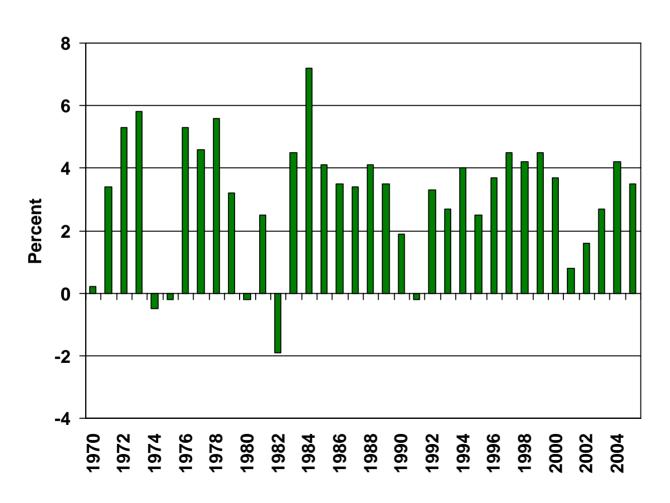
### U.S. Economic Indicators

### Corporate Profits

With Inventory Adjustment and Capital Consumption Adjustments
Seasonally Adjusted



### Annual Percent Change in Real GDP

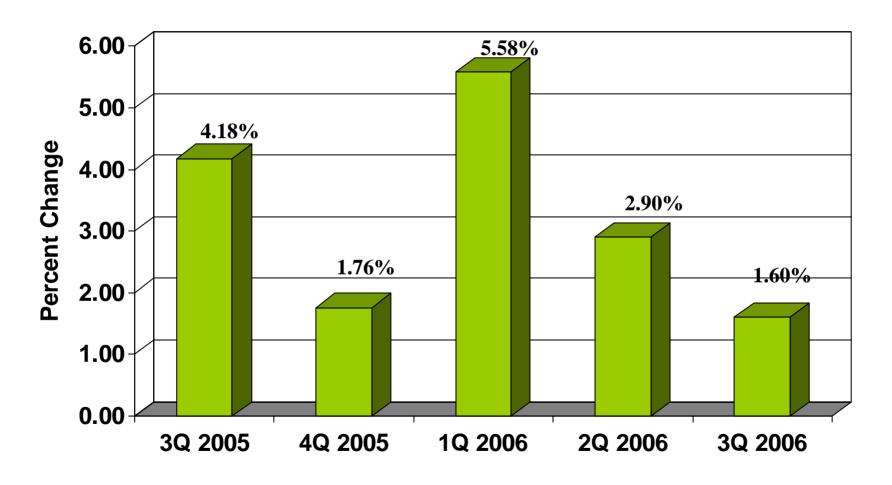


Real GDP grew by 3.5% in 2005.

A survey of economists conducted by the National Association for Business Economics projects GDP growth of 3.3% in 2006.

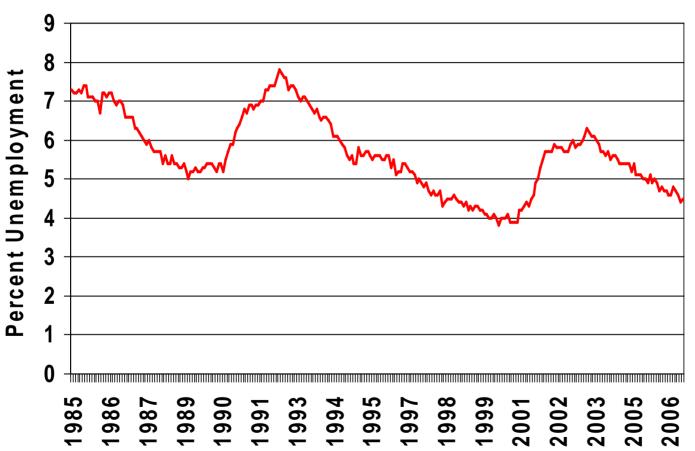
### Real GDP: 3Q 2005-2Q 2006

(Annualized Percent Change)



# U.S. Unemployment Rate

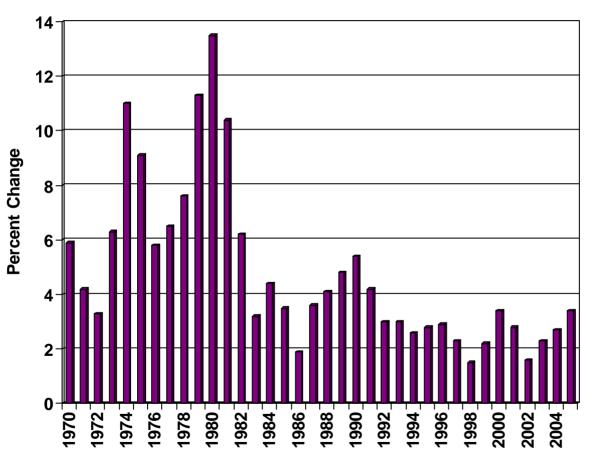
### Seasonally Adjusted



The United States unemployment rate increased from **4.4%** in October to **4.5%** in November 2006.

# Consumer Price Index Year-Over-Year Percent Change

#### Seasonally Adjusted

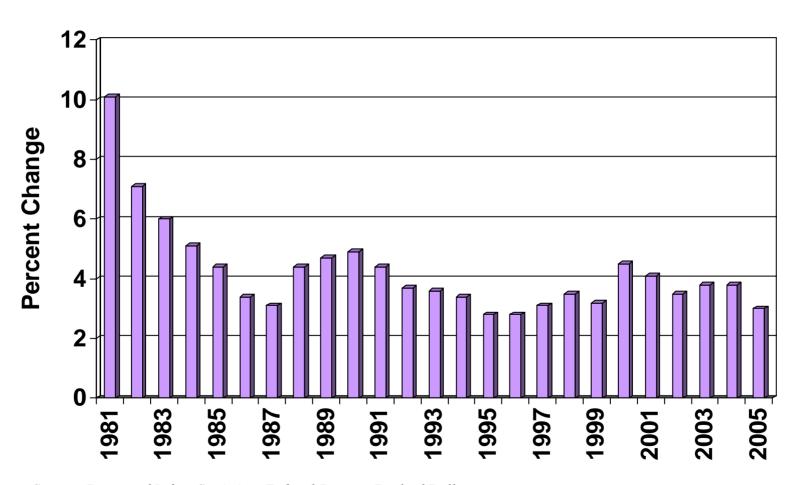


Inflation was 3.4% in 2005.

Annualized percent decrease in prices from September 2006 to October 2006 was 5.9%. From October 2005 to October 2006, prices increased by 1.3%.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas; City of San Antonio Economic Development Department

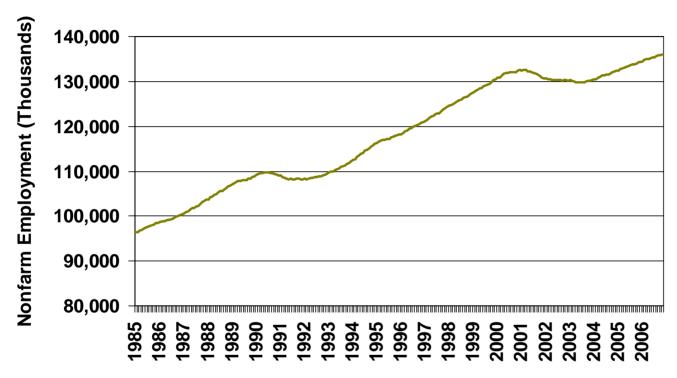
#### Employment Cost Index – Private Industry Year-Over-Year Percent Change (Seasonally Adjusted)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

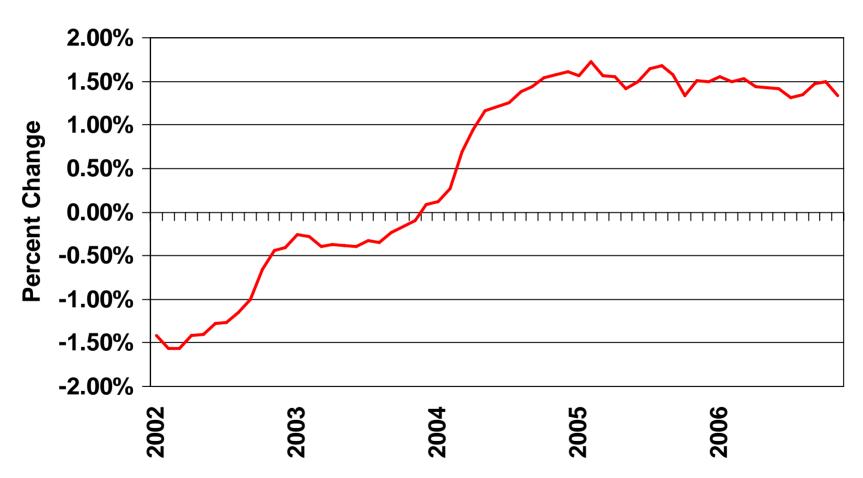
# Total Nonfarm Employment

#### Seasonally Adjusted



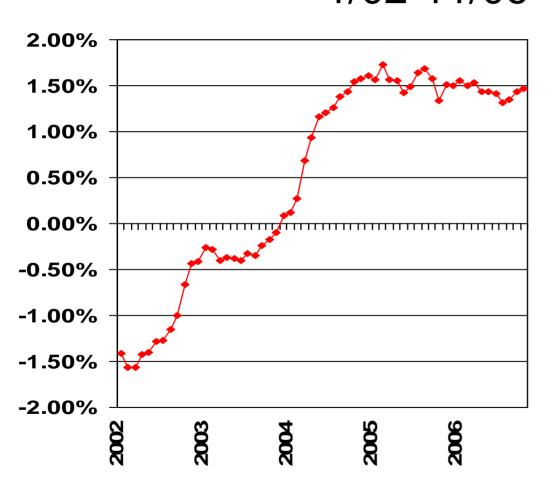
Employment grew by 1.5% in 2005. From November 2005 to November 2006, employment increased by 1.29%. On an annualized basis, employment grew by 1.17% in November.

## U.S. Nonfarm Employment Growth Year-Over-Year Percent Change 1/02-11/06



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas; City of San Antonio Economic Development Department

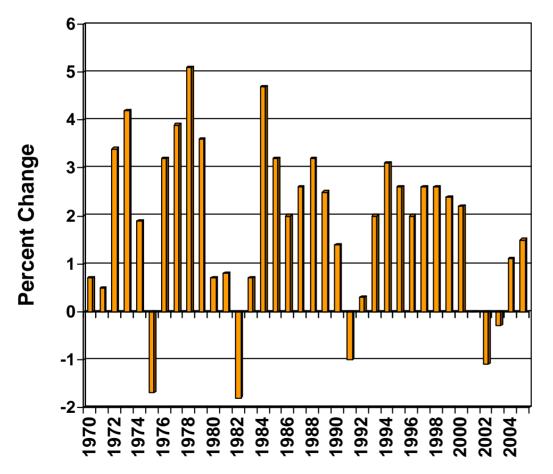
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From November 2005 to November 2006, employment increased by 1.33%. The average year-overyear percent change from January 2002 to November 2006 is 0.52%.

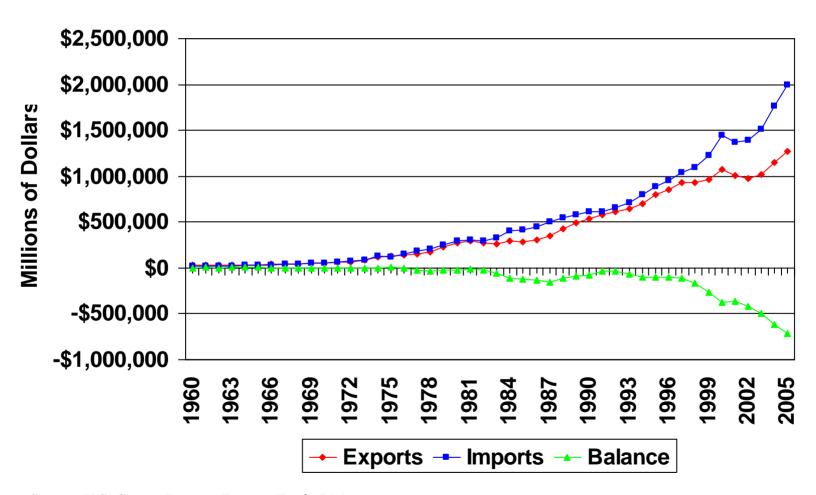
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# Total Nonfarm Employment Year-Over-Year Percent Change

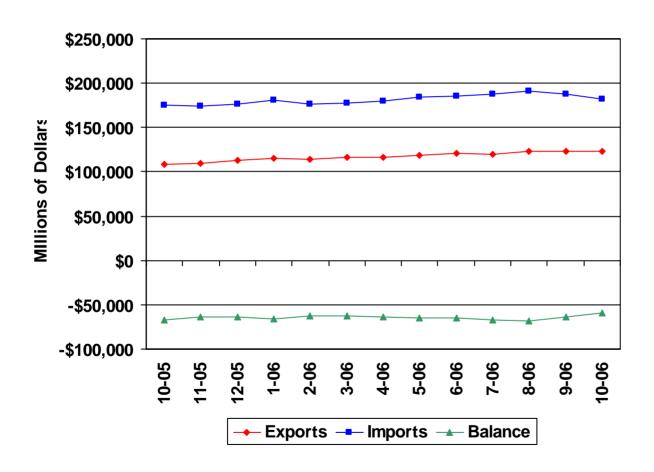


Nonfarm employment increased by 1.5% in 2005.

### International Trade



# International Trade: 10/05-10/06 Seasonally Adjusted



The trade deficit decreased from \$64.26 billion in September 2006 to \$58.87 billion in October 2006, with exports increasing by 0.22% and imports decreasing by 2.73% in the same month.

# **Economic Tidbits**

In our global economy, place matters more than ever. Even as technology, capital, and knowledge diffuse internationally, the levers of national prosperity are, in fact, becoming more localized. As talented people and new ideas become the most critical drivers of economic growth, regional economic conditions have assumed greater importance. Regions that can attract talented residents and support the development of highly innovative firms will support great prosperity. Regions that rely on low-cost labor and basic extraction of natural resources will not. While the U.S. has many successful regions, America is also home to many areas that do not offer the environment necessary to support productive firms -- and the higher salaries those firms offer. We are becoming a land of innovation haves and have-nots.